

HOLDEN AWARDED \$15,000 DAMAGES

SPOKANE, July 8.—(AP)—Ashley E. Holden, Spokane newspaper man, was awarded \$15,000 damages yesterday in his \$250,000 libel suit.

Defendants were the American News Company and its Spokane agent, C. A. Hawkst., who were held to have distributed an issue of Pic Magazine which Holden contended was libelous.

Judge Lewis B. Schwelienbach had announced as the case ended that he would not instruct the jury malice had to be found to return a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

It was revealed by deposition that the article on which the libel was based was written by Senator Homer T. Bone, Democrat, Washington.

U. S. Flyers, Planes Outclass Zeros Over Guadalcanal

(In the following article Ira Wolfert surveys the air situation over Guadalcanal and reveals the great superiority enjoyed by the United States forces—both in men and machines—over the Japs.)

By IRA WOLFERT
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GUADALCANAL, June 12.—(Delayed)—The once terrible Zero's sun has set in its own skies, and it is believed by airmen here that victory in the air war against the Japs is now ours for the taking.

There never was any question that we could build more planes than the Japs and train more and better pilots, once we started doing it. Now it is plain that we have better airplanes than the Japs at all levels and in almost all kinds of combat work except, perhaps, reconnaissance, where their Kawasaki-97, a four-motored float bomber, has a range that enables it to equal our reconnaissance planes.

When I was here last November the Zero was the best fighter plane in the air over the Pacific at altitudes above 20,000 feet. Jap pilots were not as good as ours, so we were bagging more than a fair share of the take, even with inferior planes.

Last November, we were battling the Zero with the P-39 (Airacobra) and P-40 (Warhawk), planes built to work at altitudes of 20,000 feet and lower, and with the Wildcat, a Navy plane built to operate off carriers and not a proper land-based plane at all. The Wildcat was good enough at high altitudes to win the battle for the air over Guadalcanal, but it climbed slowly compared to the Zero.

Lightnings, Corsairs in Action
We are now putting into the air over here, the Lightning and the Corsair, two planes which not only outgun the Zero but outspeed it and climb just as fast and have a higher ceiling. This happy circumstance enables our pilots to chop the Zeros out of the upper air where the Warhawks lie in wait and mince them up.

Seventy-five Japanese planes have been shot down in this area in the week from June 5 to today and of that total P-40s accounted for 20. The P-40 was only one of six types of planes that shot down Japs this week, but it got better than 25 per cent of the total.

The air fighting in this area this past week has offered the Japs a lesson in what mastery of the skies means. The battling started June 5 when we sent dive-bombers and Avenger torpedo planes on a daylight raid off Kahili to get some Jap shipping. The Japs tried to thwart our will with about 25 fighter planes. Fifteen of them were shot down—eight Zeros and seven float biplanes—and three of

their ships were sunk—a destroyer, a cargo ship and a corvette. We lost four planes, two of the men on them being rescued safely from the sea.

Jap Flight Chopped Up
Two days later, June 7, the Japs sent between 40 and 50 fighters down for reconnaissance and for some of the Zeros were equipped with 120-pound bombs.

The Japs got as far as Buraku Island, west of the Russells. There they began milling around. Our fellows did not wait for them to make up their minds, but tore right in on them.

The final tally shows 25 of their planes knocked down and no reconnaissance performed or bombs dropped. We lost seven planes, but recovered six pilots.

On June 10, the Japs tried a daylight bomber sort against our shipping, which was cut down by our fighters. Yesterday, June 11, they tried once more to make a reconnaissance in force—again with 40 or 50 fighters.

We knocked down 25 Zeros in a melee between Buraku and the Russells while they got only six of ours. Four of our pilots are safe.

Bombers Battle
A few hours ago (at about 12:30 o'clock this afternoon) two Jap Mitsubishi bombers decided to challenge two of our four-motored Liberator bombers off the coast of Buka. The result was a battle between our bombers and the Japs. Our bombers were piloted by Captain Foster of California and Lieut. E. P. Ratti of Indianapolis. They clung close to each other as the Japs, sticking close to each other in turn, came up on their tails. Then Captain Foster outfoxed the Japs completely, making a tight turn to the right, enabling him to bring a broadside of guns to bear on the Japs.

One of the Jap bombers began to lose altitude immediately and the other raced after it to help it make home in Buka. Captain Foster shot lead into the unhurt bomber. He saw the cowlings fly off and saw chunks tear out of the ship. The Jap pilot didn't wait for more. He beat it off toward home himself, while Lieutenant Ratti closed in and made the kill on the cripple in a few short, sharp passes.

The only improvement the Japs have made in their planes since the war began, as far as this reporter can learn, was to add to the Zero a gear which enables it to float when shot down over the water so that it may be retrieved and made to fly again—if shot down near a Jap base.

Between the two, the plane makers at home and the pilots out here, the Zero has become a second-class plane in its own air. The Japs never were in a class with ours once we recognized the value of tail guns and turrets where turrets belong.

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MAGNUSON ASKS ACTION ON JAPS

Congressman Warren G. Magnuson requested the Dies Committee last night to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the recent apprehension of three Japanese-American soldiers digging up a camera they had buried near Sumner.

"I am especially interested in what disposition was made of the case," Congressman Magnuson said today. "Had they been white soldiers, it is my belief they probably would have faced a court martial. I understand that the authorities in Washington, D. C., said they did not wish to discriminate against the Japanese-American soldiers. That phase of the case needs further investigation."

"From a casual examination of the facts, it appears that the least that should be done is to dismiss them to relocation centers."

"The governmental order to all Japanese to surrender cameras was plain and definite. When the Japanese-American soldiers came back while on furlough and dug up the camera they were fully aware they were disobeying regulations."

"The War Department authorities would do well to inform the Dies Committee what good purpose was served in taking the cases from the hands of local Army officers."

Garden Wizard?
HERSHEY, Pa., July 8.—(AP)—His fellow victory gardeners looked at State Policeman William P. McMillen's tomato plants and marveled. The tomatoes were bright red while theirs were still green. They looked again and chuckled. For a joke, he had substituted red Christmas tree ornaments.

Action in Asia Asked at Rally Of City Chinese

Dr. Kiang Yi-seng, Chinese consul at Seattle, declared yesterday on the sixth anniversary of China's resistance against Japanese aggression, that the time has arrived for concerted offensive action against the enemy on the land fronts of Asia.

Speaking at colorful memorial services sponsored by Seattle's Chinese colony for the millions of their countrymen who have died since the opening of the Far East conflict, Dr. Kiang praised the United States for its aid to China, asserting that it had assisted in making many of the recent victories possible.

During the ceremony, held at the headquarters of the Chinese Benevolent Association, 52 Seventh Ave. S., a two-hour play was presented depicting the defeat of Japan and other world aggressors.

A shrine honoring the war dead had been erected in the hall, and it was banked high with flowers in memory of relatives and friends of Seattle's Chinese who have fallen.

Yulin Hsi, member of the People's Political Congress of China, who is in Seattle to study municipal government, was an honor guest.

SHRINE ELECTS TORONTO MAN

CHICAGO, July 8.—(UP)—Mortimer E. Mackenzie, Toronto, was named imperial potentate of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine at the Shriners grand council meeting.

Mackenzie was the first Canadian elected to the post. Other officers elected yesterday included William H. Woodfield, Jr., San Francisco, imperial chief rabban.

Sun Valley Liquor to Move
SUN VALLEY, Idaho, July 8.—(AP)—Sun Valley, now a Navy hospital, still has nearly 500 cases of choicest wines and liquors in its famed cellars. Leland W. Rawson of the State Liquor Dispensary staff said the State of Idaho will solve the problem by buying it. He began an inventory yesterday.

Olympia Adopts Milk Code

OLYMPIA, July 8.—(AP)—A city milk ordinance similar to those operative in Seattle, Tacoma and other Puget Sound cities has been passed by the city council. The ordinance will not go into effect for one year—the time which city commissioners estimated was necessary to enable dairymen to make changes necessary to comply with the code.

Vancouver Flyer Killed

SANTA ANA, Calif., July 8.—(AP)—Second Lieut. William K. Nelson, 27 years old, of Vancouver, Wash., was killed Monday night in the crash of his Army fighter plane. Air base authorities here announced last night. His widow, Mrs. Evelyn D. Nelson, lives in Vancouver. The crash occurred as Nelson was attempting a night landing at the airport.

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Steel Firm Here Fined \$4,000 On Overcharges

The Dullen Steel Products, Inc., 414 First Ave. S., was fined \$4,000 today by United States District Judge Lloyd L. Black when John White, vice president and manager of the company, entered a plea of nolo contendere to an information charging the company with overcharges in the sale of steel rails shipped out of the state.

The plea, which neither admits nor denies guilt but leaves the decision to the court, was entered on the first four counts and the company was fined \$1,000 on each count. Judge Black indicated that when the fines were paid the fifth count would be dismissed.

An amount equal to the overcharges, about \$7,000, has been paid by the steel company to the Treasury Department.

Navy Seeks State Area for Gunnery

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—The Horse Heaven area of Washington State again is being eyed as a possible gunnery range, according to Senator Bone, Democrat, Washington, who announced that he is engaged in an effort to save it for civilian use. Earlier the Army had proposed to use the area in Benton County for a bombing range. Senator Bone and others of the Washington delegation explained its value in the production of meat and another site was utilized. Now, says the Senator, the Navy wants a site near Eraser for a gunnery range and he is seeking a substitute site not so valuable in the production of food.

The senator's information is that the area sought by the Navy now grows 25,000 acres of wheat, with the possibility that 75,000 acres may be cropped within the next few years; that it feeds 60,000 head of sheep and 4,000 cattle, in addition to hogs and poultry.

Contract for State Gas-Tax Probe Given

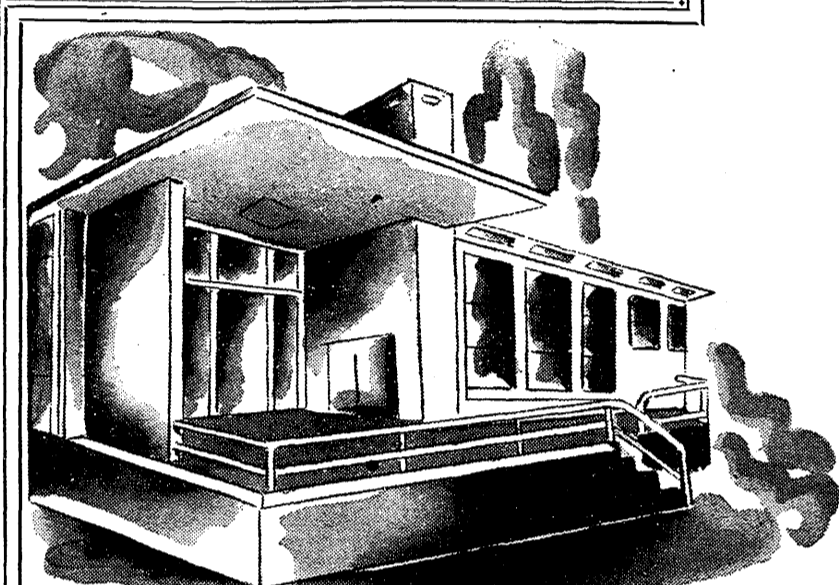
OLYMPIA, July 8.—A contract to make a complete study of the Washington gasoline-tax distribution and recommend changes and improvements to the 1945 Legislature was awarded to the Public Administration Service of Chicago by the legislative interim committee today.

Senator Don T. Miller, chairman of the committee, said the contract called for a maximum expenditure by the state of "considerably less than the \$50,000 appropriated for the purpose."

The law instructed the committee to employ experts to make a study of the road fund, the need and future requirements of each county, to prove the use of "gas" tax monies, and the adequacies and inadequacies of the present system of percentage allocation of "gas" money to counties.

'Wine' Death Disproved

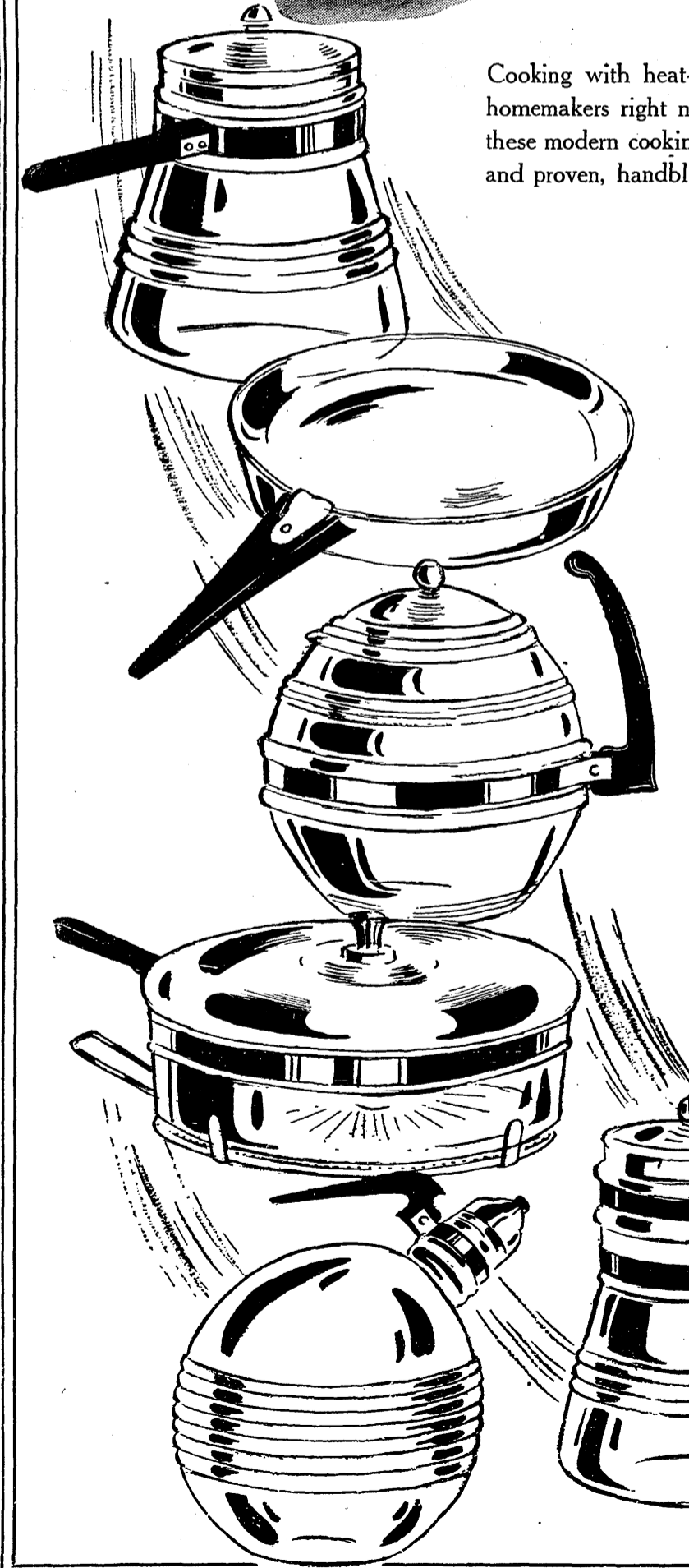
Coroner John P. Brill, Jr., said today an autopsy had revealed that Joseph Holy, 72 years old, who at first was believed to have died last week from a drink of poisoned wine, died of natural causes.



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