

HIT 2 MORE JAP TRANSPORTS REDS SAY NAZI ROUT GROWS

SLIDE, 150 FEET HIGH, HITS PERU CITY; KILLS 500

Water, Rocks, Lava Engulf Victims.

LIMA, Peru, Dec. 14 (AP).—A tremendous waterslide which struck the departmental capital of Huaraz yesterday took a toll of more than 500 lives and wiped out the city's entire residential section, said reports reaching here today.



Arrow indicates scene of slide.

Manuel Palma, owner of a Lima-Huaraz bus line, told the Associated Press by telephone that conditions were "indescribable"; that the slide of water, mud, rocks, and volcanic lava was 150 feet high and more than half a mile wide when it hit; that 500 bodies were in the local hospital and hundreds of others were strewn along the roads outside Huaraz. Bodies were being brought to the hospital in truckloads, he said.

Cause of Disaster a Mystery. "No one living in the northern residential section is believed to have escaped alive," said Palma. He added that so far it had not been possible to ascertain the cause of the catastrophe. First reports said it might have been due to an eruption of the nearby Rataquenhua volcano, but Palma reported the volcano showed no signs of activity.

He said many small Indian communities had been wiped out, and that the tons of rocks and mud had thrown the Santa river out of its course. Rescue work was hampered further by the fact that an earth tremor this morning, the longest and most violent since the disastrous earthquake of May 24, 1940, threw the population into a panic. The quake was felt in Lima and nearby cities.

Boy Hero Warns Populace. The catastrophe produced its share of heroes, among them a lad working for a local brewery. At the first notice of the advancing slide at 7:15 yesterday morning, he climbed to the top of a boiler and, by shouts and signals, warned the few persons who already were awake—until the slide caught and buried him. No one knew his name.

A battalion of engineers arrived today from Trujillo, to the north, to help in the rescue work. The government yesterday dispatched 10 trucks carrying doctors, nurses, and medical supplies to the stricken city. An official party headed by President Manuel Prado y Ugarteche was expected in Huaraz tonight. Their trip from Lima was delayed by the fact the earth tremor blocked a portion of the Pan-American highway 25 miles north of here.

'MIKADO' WANTS TO CHANGE NAME TO 'ROOSEVELT'

Mikado, Mich., Dec. 14 (AP).—This Algonquin county village christened 55 years ago in honor of the emperor of Japan, wants to change its name. Its 125 citizens are distressed that the name is a symbol of a nation with which the United States is at war. A movement is under way to rename the town "Roosevelt."

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Mother Slain; Battered Body Is Found in Lot

(Pictures on pages 8 and 12.)

North side police last night began a hunt for a young slinger and purse snatcher as the murderer of a mother of two children. Her battered body was found early in the day in a vacant lot at the northeast corner of Ravenswood and Thome avenues.

Her skull had been fractured with a brick after a fierce struggle, evidences of which were found 30 feet from the body. Clothing had been torn from the victim and her ankles bound with her stockings. Time of the attack was fixed at about 7 p. m. Saturday, but a physician said she apparently had lived six or eight hours more, with the cold and exposure partly to blame for her death.

Another Woman Slugged. Less than half an hour before the fatal assault another woman was slugged and robbed two blocks away. Four other women who have been similarly assaulted in the same area since last Tuesday have given police identical descriptions of the slugging. Chief of Detectives John L. Sullivan, who entered the case yesterday afternoon, said the murderer's actions in the other cases and evidence found at the scene of the slaying indicate he is a moron.

The victim was Mrs. Bergit Kyvik, 43 years old, 2125 North Central Park avenue, mother of twins, Audriana and Curtis John, 12 years old. Lieut. Michael Ahern, of the Summerdale police, learned Mrs. Kyvik had been on her way to the home of a former brother-in-law, Gunnar Kyvik, 6159 East Ravenswood avenue, to see her divorced husband, John, 46, who had been injured in an automobile accident.

Beaten on Both Sides of Head. Bloodstains under the North Western railroad viaduct on Thome avenue at Ravenswood indicated she had been attacked there, Ahern said. Apparently she broke away and fled into the vacant lot with the slayer close behind her. Mrs. Kyvik had been beaten on both sides of the head.

The stained brick was lying nearby. There also were cuts on the legs and bloodstains were found on the grass 30 feet from the body. Clothing was scattered about and the ground bore evidences that the struggle had been a long one. Her purse, which had contained \$6 or \$7, was empty, except for a pencil and key.

Dr. Paul Schmidt, summoned by Lieut. Ahern, found Mrs. Kyvik's arms and legs had been frozen, but that internal organs had not. This showed, he said, that she had lain in a comatose condition several hours, dying eventually from her injuries and exposure to temperatures of from 8 to 12 degrees below freezing.

Knocks Other Victim Down. The woman who was slugged just before Mrs. Kyvik was killed is Mrs. Eve Gates, 6008 North Paulina street. She told Detectives James Aman and William Shaw that at 6:23 p. m. in the 6100 block of North Paulina her assailant gripped her in a manner that caused excruciating pain and tried to take her purse. When she resisted he knocked her down and escaped with the purse and \$33.

Others who have been attacked by the same slugging are Mrs. Peter Patratis, 1136 Winona avenue, Dec. 13; Mrs. Hudson W. Lamb, 5950 Winthrop avenue, Dec. 9; Mrs. Katherine Ross, 5718 Kenmore avenue, Dec. 9, and Mrs. M. H. Burlin, 1252 Catalpa avenue, Dec. 10.

'Yellow Peril' Is All Wrong; Italy Makes Japs Aryans! New York, Dec. 14 (Special).—An Italian broadcaster heard today by the National Broadcasting company said Italy's alliance with Japan did not violate "Aryan" principles as both parties are "pure" races. Japanese are "yellow Aryans," he said.



WIFE OF DOCTOR SLAIN; QUESTION AIRPORT SENTRY

Redondo Beach, Cal., Dec. 14 (P).—Police Chief D. L. Evans said today a soldier, whom he did not name, had been turned over to military officers after the fatal shooting of Mrs. Adele Brandel, 52 years old, socially prominent wife of a physician.

Evans said reports indicated four soldiers were halting motorists near the municipal airport last night and ordering them to remove blue coverings from headlights, that Dr. Harry M. Brandel failed to stop and one of the soldiers fired.

Dr. Brandel said they noticed two armed soldiers stopping cars, but he thought they were trying to get a ride and drove on. Some motorists have placed blue transparent coverings over their headlights in the belief that it would permit them to drive during blackouts. One of the sentries was quoted as saying he aimed at a rear tire and that the bullet must have ricocheted.

ARMY TAKES TEN AIR LINE PLANES FOR 'FEW DAYS'

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14 (P).—The war department said tonight that about 10 passenger planes had been removed from their regular schedules on commercial air lines temporarily to transport army supplies. The announcement said the "public would be temporarily inconvenienced" by the action. "Due to the present emergency, Edgar S. Gorrell, president of the Air Transport Association of America, has offered to make available to the army air force the use of air lines' facilities. "The war department confirmed that it is taking advantage of this offer to transport army supplies for an administrative mission. It is not anticipated that the army will require the planes for more than a few days." The announcement did not say from what lines the planes were taken.

Only 9 shopping days till Christmas

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DRAFT TO TAKE ONLY MEN 21-35 NOW—HERSHEY 18 to 64 Registration Preparedness.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14 (P).—War department officials made clear today that it would be a long time—if ever—before any men outside the 21-35 age group are drafted for the army despite the proposal to require all aged 18 to 64, inclusive, to register.

Brig. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, selective service director, warning against any "hysteria" in connection with the draft extension, said there was no way of telling when it might be necessary to tap the reservoir of men outside the 21-35 group.

"We can meet the situation today and tomorrow with the present draft age limits of 21 to 35," Hershey said. 41,000,000 Men Eligible. Secretary of War Stimson requested congress last week to enact legislation for the registration of all men from 18 to 64, inclusive, and making those from 19 to 44, inclusive, subject to military training and service. This registration, Hershey said, would apply to 41,000,000 men, including the 17,500,000 who already have registered.

But the program as of today, Hershey explained, calls for the induction of the remaining 1,000,000 in the 21 to 27 age brackets; then eligibles in the group from 28 to 35, will be called up, and next the 1,000,000 who become 21 each year.

"Having done that, you ought to have a full year's supply of men," Hershey said.

Reexaminations Planned. In the meantime there will be a continuing reexamination of men deferred because of dependency, employment in vital defense industries and minor physical disabilities.

"We must go at this thing calmly and coolly," Hershey said. "We must not take every man regardless of his physical condition or no matter how many dependents he has. But on the other hand, we have many cases where the dependency looks a little fishy—where people seem to be living together because of convenience."

One of his aids said that employers should start thinking about replacing young men now deferred with older men and perhaps women. Hershey himself said that selective service might have to do a little "policing" of industry's requests for deferment of men in vital jobs.

Stimson and war department officials told the house military committee yesterday that no one knows what the eventual demands for man power might be, but said the pending legislation was recommended as a protection for any eventuality.

Rep. Andrew Edmiston (D., W. Va.) said that Hershey had not convinced him that the age limits should be lowered, especially in view of the fact that housing and equipment for a much larger number of selectees apparently was not in prospect.

HIGHLIGHTS OF WAR IN PACIFIC

The high spot yesterday in the war in the Pacific was the damaging off Legaspi, Luzon, Philippines of two more Japanese transports by American army bombers, and renewed attacks by Japanese on Wake Island, tiny possession of the United States. The successful attacks on Jap troopships brought the total toll by American bombers in recent days to four sunk and five hard hit.

American marines have repulsed two assaults on Wake. The second was described as "in great force." Two Jap bombers were shot down.

Report Subs Off Hawaii. The navy department disclosed that enemy submarines are operating in the Hawaiian area and said "vigorous attacks are being made against them."

The situation in the Philippines is "well in hand," the army said. Three Japanese landings on Luzon Island have been kept localized. Japanese flyers in a raid on the Manila area at noon yesterday dropped bombs in the vicinity of Nichols air field.

Forty planes were lost by the Japanese in their week long attacks on the Philippines, Lieut. Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced.

Dutch Sink Two Ships. The Dutch navy reported sinking a Japanese tanker and a freighter off Malaya, in the same area where four Japanese transports were sunk previously, with the possible loss of 4,000 troops.

Japan increased its pressure on Hongkong with a general land and air offensive. Tokio claimed its artillery was pounding Hongkong proper. The Chinese pressed attacks on the flank and rear of the Japanese.

The Japanese also claimed progress in their drive over the Malayan frontier toward Singapore, asserting that an entire British mechanized division had been destroyed.

Jungle Battle Grows. British sources said a big battle was developing in the jungle 300 miles north of Singapore, and the British and Australian air forces were reported striking hard at Japanese tanks and armored cars.

London reported Japanese troops also had struck across beaten Thailand (Siam) into the southern part of Britain's Burma. Jap bombers raided points off Malaya and Burma.

[For details on the various phases of the war in the Pacific turn to pages 3-4-5-6-7.]

AIR VS. SEA FIGHTERS BY CHESELY MANLY (Chicago Tribune Press Service.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 14 (P).—The relative merits of battleships and aircraft in modern warfare will be reappraised by the senate and house naval affairs committees at secret hearings beginning tomorrow on legislation requested by the navy to increase its combatant tonnage by 30 per cent, or 900,000 tons.

400 TOWNS FALL TO RUSSIANS IN WIDE OFFENSIVE

Call Moscow Drive a Hitler Debacle.

(Map on page 8.) MOSCOW, Dec. 15 (Monday) (P).—Rampant Red armies declared today they had the Germans on the run in a retreat approaching the scale of Napoleon's cold and dismal retirement from Moscow in 1812 and had overtaken the backtracking Hitler legions with a headlong campaign of extermination. Soviet broadcasts declared more than 400 villages and towns have been taken in the Red army's sweep.

The official communist organ Pravda claimed the Russian armies already have destroyed an "entire generation of Nazis."

From one end of the broad snow-crusted front to the other the Russians reported success after success. The threat to Moscow eliminated by the rout of the Nazis in the greatest debacle yet to befall Hitler, his efforts to encircle Leningrad smashed, his hopes of getting at the Caucasus' rich oil fields thwarted.

Foe's Loss 6,000,000 Men. Since the start of the German invasion last June 22, the Russians reported, Hitler has lost 6,000,000 men, more than 15,000 tanks, 13,000 planes, and 19,000 cannon.

[The British radio reported last night the Russians have driven the Germans from three more key points on the railroad linking Moscow with the Caucasus. The broadcast did not name the points. Another Moscow announcement said the entire line of communications between Moscow and Leningrad soon would be reestablished by advancing Red forces, indicating the siege of Leningrad might thereby be lifted.]

Pravda attributed the German failure to encircle Moscow to insufficient Nazi forces and miscalculation of Russian strength.

[A description of Moscow as seen yesterday by an American correspondent appears on page 10.]

Bares Peril Moscow Faced. The extent of the danger which hung over Moscow at the height of the Nazi campaign against the capital was disclosed today by Lieut. Gen. Leonid Govorov, soviet commander in the sector to the southwest.

From Dec. 1 to 4, Govorov said, in a Pravda interview, the Germans attacked the Minsk-Moscow highway, threatening Goltzi, little more than 20 miles west and almost within artillery range of the capital.

A wall of fire from a long pile of straw and dry sticks, a third of a mile wide, sent flames skyward and blocked a German tank advance in this sector, he disclosed.

Then the tables turned with Red army counterattacks which threw the Germans behind the Nara and Moscow rivers. Other counterattacks at the same time along the arc about Moscow sent the Germans reeling in retreat which at some points turned into disordered flight.

Threw Everything Into Battle. Confusion in the Nazi ranks spread, Govorov continued, when soviet infantry, cavalry, artillery, and planes saw their chance and threw every thing they had at the Germans. The army organ Red Star exhorted soviet forces to a supreme victory, effort with the declaration: "It is necessary to finish the enemy and administer such a blow that he will never be able to rise again. Complete extermination of Hitler's hordes, complete extermination of every German combatant to the last man is our objective." A broadcast war bulletin of the official information bureau declared the Red army had recaptured the railway station of Uzlovaya, 40 miles southeast of Tula, Dubna to the west of Tula, and Verkhov, northwest of Livny, in day long battling which raged on all fronts. Uzlovaya and Dubna are in the sec-

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