

Japs Die in Swarms, Still Come Like Bees

Graphic Eye-Witness Account of Fighting in Malaya Given By Writer

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and there was no cessation of the stream of little yellow men, who came on wave upon wave.

The Japanese are using every trick of warfare, the wounded said, except to face the bayonet. They were still mass fighters.

"They are like bees," an officer said. "Whole groups of them are being blown out of existence."

"The smaller groups who make sorties, and the individual infiltrators, are being picked off mercilessly by our marksmen. Still they come on."

The Japanese, evidently as the result of long preparation, through espionage, seem to possess a complete knowledge not only of roads but of the individual rubber estates.

Headed by their tanks, they are coming through a rich country of rubber and tin, stretching their tentacles along roads and jungle trails, leaving behind a wilderness of what was a happy, beautiful country.

AN INTREPID BAND of Empire Commando troops, outnumbered sometimes scores to one, is out in the wild jungle, waiting to spring like the jungle beasts on the Japanese who, with the agility of monkeys, are making their way through country which has been thought impenetrable to organized fighting forces.

The Commandos are ambushing Japanese troop columns and convoys on the narrow roads.

They are operating many miles behind the Japanese lines, shooting and hacking their way into Japanese troop units and fighting their way back to their own lines.

All along the coast, they are waiting to meet with the bayonet and the hand grenade the Japanese landing parties who, in leap frog fashion, are attempting to gain footholds farther and farther south along the vital Malacca Straits.

The fighting here is of such nature, considering the enormous numerical odds against the Empire forces, that it has been impossible to form a static line.

The Japanese are pressing southward at Kuala Lumpur, the Empire general headquarters—the second city of Malaya, now almost a dead city—the rumble of gun fire approaches ever nearer.

ALTHOUGH THE Japanese drive is of general nature, it is not the sort of offensive that is fought in the West. Where in campaigns in Europe tens of thousands of men go over the top, here the Japanese perform attack in bodies up to 1000 men or more which make their way along jungle trails to press back the thin Empire lines.

Gen. Lewis MacClusfield Heath, 56-year-old veteran of 27 years of active service who is in command here, said today that the situation on the Malaya front was going to get worse before it got better.

He said the Japanese army possesses native guile plus the organization of a modern army.

Incidentally, he said that on two occasions official reports had confirmed that European officers, possibly Germans, had been seen in command of Japanese companies.

The Japanese advance guards are usually in Malayan dress instead of their own uniforms.

They approach the Empire lines, usually, mounted on bicycles, he said, and next come midget cars which maneuver with surprising efficiency in the thick jungle.

Next come the heavier mech-

anized units—testifying to the rapid repair of bridges, roads and trails which the Empire forces had demolished.

GEN HEATH said most of the small, gallant band of Empire commandos are mostly Indians, with British and Australian leaders. All are volunteers. All know that they can expect no mercy from the Japanese if they are taken. They have been picked carefully.

Aside from their ambushes, the commandos are performing valuable service by bringing back information which they have obtained far behind the Japanese lines.

The Commandos are the striking force, and they and the artillery are playing the big role in the defense for the moment.

On the coast, the artillery is backing the Commandos in the work of waylaying landing parties which come ashore in fleets of mosquito craft.

N. D. GRIDDER LOSES SUIT
GOSHEN, Ind., Jan. 9 (U. P.).—An Elkhart circuit court jury today returned a verdict against Paul Lillis, 1941 Notre Dame football captain, in a \$10,000 damage suit for the death of Dorothea M. Summer in an auto accident at the entrance to St. Mary's College in South Bend Feb. 21.

Hub of Fighting



Kuala Lumpur, shown on this map, 200 miles north of Singapore, is the first goal of a fierce Japanese offensive now raging in Malaya.

HAWAII READY, SAYS EMMONS

Islands Can Hold Off Any Attack, States New Army Chief.

FT. SHAFTER, Hawaii, Jan. 9 (U. P.).—Gen. Delos C. Emmons, Army commander-in-chief in the Hawaiian Islands, said today that United States forces could hold the islands.

It was Gen. Emmons' first press conference since his assumption of command.

In a fighting statement, he warned that the Japanese might attack the islands at any moment despite their pre-occupation with the Philippines and Singapore.

"We are prepared for the worst and we expect to meet it," he continued. "We are prepared at all times, day and night, to meet any situation with all our strength."

"We can hold the islands," Gen. Emmons said this mid-Pacific American bastion was now far stronger than it was when the Japanese made their sneak attack on Dec. 7.

"We are strengthening fortifications continuously," he said.

"The loss of Hawaii would put the West Coast in a very difficult position. If the Japanese had a base here it would make coast shipping very difficult, since Hawaii is the key to this side of the Pacific."

"This is where we start our offensive."

"We are taking no chances—we are not going to be surprised again."

JOBS LISTED IN CIVIL DEFENSE

Men May Be Raid Wardens Or Fire Watchers; Women Also Are Needed.

Jobs for men who register Sunday for civil defense are:

Air raid warden, bomb remover, clearance crew, decontamination squad, fire watcher, fire fighter, police duty, building repair, road repair and airplane spotter.

Women's jobs are: Sewing by hand or pedal, sewing with electric machine, knitting, cooking, serving food, caring for children, friendly visiting, cleaning, canning food, gardening.

First Aid Included

Nursing, first aid, legal advisor, poster making, arranging exhibits, making maps, computing statistics, photographing, making speeches, leading discussions, planning teaching programs.

Organizing study classes, telling stories to children, writing articles, social case work, riding bicycles, driving cars, trucks or motorcycles.

Serving at information desk, typing, stenography, filing, telephoning, keeping books, operating switchboard, operating calculating machine, operating mimeograph, operating an addressograph, checking stockroom supplies, making charts, making door-to-door surveys.

Other Ways to Serve

Teaching: Citizenship, American history, life saving, vocations, health nutrition and handicraft.

Chaperoning groups, ballroom dancing, singing, accompanying musicians, playing musical instruments, leading orchestra, serving as club hostesses, leading songs, radio, engineer and notary public.

6 Indian Nations May Join Allies

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 9 (U. P.).—Germany and her Axis partners face the possibility of finding themselves at war with another "six nations."

Indian chiefs of the Iroquois confederacy—the tribes of Mohawks, Oneidas, Tuscaroras, Cayugas, Onondagas and Senecas—prepared to hold a "long house" council on the question of declaring war against Germany and her allies.

Despite their opposition to the Selective Service Act and its application to them, the chiefs are being pulled on their attitude toward a war declaration.

Although the confederacy has appealed to the Supreme Court against the Selective Service Act, young braves continue to enlist in the United States armed forces.

Men of County Register Sunday for Home Front

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Sullivan, city defense director, said they anticipated a mass turnout.

Both the Mayor and Maj. Gen. Tyndall said that unity has been achieved in the organization of the City-County civil defense effort.

The following Legion posts will conduct registration Sunday at the Indiana World War Memorial:

Bruce P. Robison Post No. 133, Indianapolis Post No. 4, Memorial Post No. 3, Hayward Barcus Post No. 55, Hilton Brown Post No. 85 and Bell Telephone Post.

Legionnaires, auxiliary members and male civilians will be registered by other Legion posts at locations as follows:

Osric Mills Watkins Post No. 162,

819 Massachusetts Ave.; Sahara Grotto Post No. 264, 13th St. and Park Ave.; Broad Ripple Post No. 312, 64th St. and College Ave.; Robert E. Kennington Post No. 34, 4174 College Ave.; Wayne Post No. 64, 5566 W. Washington St.; Bunker Hill Post No. 220, Wanamaker; Madison Nottingham Post No. 348, 1130 W. 30th St., the fire station at 19th and Dexter Sts., 2756 Roosevelt Ave., and in Acton; Irvington Post No. 38, 5503 E. Washington St., Warren Central High School and the Town Hall in Woodruff Place, and Big Four Railroad Post No. 116, 960 S. Keystone Ave.

Garfield Post No. 88, fire stations at Prospect St. and Madison Ave., and Shelby and Kelly Sts.; East Indianapolis Post No. 13, 46 N. Pennsylvania St., third floor; Emerson

Post No. 262, fire stations at 1100 E. Washington St. and Beville Ave. and Vermont St.; E. C. Atkins & Co., Post No. 355, the company personnel offices; Charles M. Young Post, 321 N. Senate Ave.; John H. Holliday Post, Riviera Club; Speedway Post, Speedway City High School; Federal Post, east end of the Federal Building lobby; Southeastern Post, Christian Park Community House and the Southeast Union Church, Minnesota and Sloan Sts.; Service Post, the American Legion Hall in Oaklandon; Y. M. C. A. Post, 450 N. Senate Ave.; McIlvaine-Kothe Post, the Athenaeum, and Hugh Crosey Post No. 361, Shelby and Thompson Sts., Perry Township.

Posts of the Veterans of Foreign Wars which will be open for registration Sunday are:

Hoosier Post, 143 E. Ohio St., all day.

Frank T. Strayer Post, 210 E. Ohio St., all day.

Sergt. Barker Post, 1421 Central Ave., 9 o'clock in the morning to midnight.

Department headquarters of VFW, Sixth floor, K. of P. Building, 8 o'clock in the morning to 9 o'clock in the afternoon.

Burns West Streibek Post, Denny and Washington Sts., 8 o'clock in the morning to 9 o'clock at night.

Lavelle-Gossett Post, King Ave. and Walnut St., all day until midnight.

Speedway Post, 3368 Wilcox St., all day until midnight.

Benjamin Harrison Post, Columbia Club, all day.

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