

Rationing to Grow in Future

Sharp Ban on Rubber Mere Practice for Other Items Soon

World-Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—The tight ban slapped yesterday on civilian use of rubber is just a little practice exercise compared with the flow of rationing orders that is certain to come out of Price Administrator Leon Henderson's office within the next six months.

Mark it on your war calendar that the screws are going to be tightened in hundreds of places that will hurt.

Today the emphasis is on tires and tubes for passenger cars. Tomorrow it may be any one or a number of a thousand items that have played an intimate though inconspicuous part in the comforts and pleasures of living.

Are 50,000 Items
Just as a broad illustration, it is estimated there are approximately 50 thousand items made of rubber which play a part in the normal industrial and domestic activities of the average American citizen.

Golf balls, bathing caps, rubber bands, erasers, the sponge cushion on your desk chair are only a few of the more obvious ones.

Rubber bands alone have consumed about six million pounds of crude rubber annually. Paper clips may be substituted for some rubber band uses but metal for the clips is going to become scarce.

Toys for children have consumed an increasingly large supply of raw rubber in recent years.

Felt in Every Home
It's certain that the clampdown on these items is going to be felt in almost every home in the country.

Or take such personal items as garters, girdles and foundation garments that freed American women of uncomfortable corsets.

Last year nearly 10 million pounds of rubber thread was manufactured in this country in connection with these items and garments.

Members of the rubber industry, who have worked with Henderson in shaping the new rationing plans, are prepared to cancel future production of some of these items or at least make drastic reductions.

Even tires for scooters, bicycles, tricycles and rubber handle-bar grips are included in the inventory of rubber goods stocks begun today.

But the main thing to remember is that the pinching process isn't going to ease up when you've run (Continued on Page 9, Column 5.)

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
2,100 Police to Guard New York Celebrations
Chicago Tribune Press Service.

New York, Dec. 27.—Extraordinary measures to safeguard from possible air raids the densely packed throngs that traditionally gather in Times Square on New Year's eve were revealed today by Police Commissioner Valentine when he assigned 2,100 men to duty in that area.

Last year approximately 1,400 police patrolled the area when more than a million persons stood shoulder to shoulder.

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
To Bed by Midnight Seen Energy Saver
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27 (AP)—Dr. R. McFarlane Tilley of Brooklyn, president-elect of the American Osteopathic association, would like to see every one in bed by midnight. He recommended a voluntary midnight curfew today as a means of conserving energy and increasing physical fitness for the war effort.

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8 Sections, 96 Pages Today
Comics, two sections..... 16
Section A: Main News..... 14
Section B: Sports..... 4
Section C: Magazine..... 28
Section D: Want Ads, Building, Radio..... 8
Section E: Society, Theaters..... 10
"This Week"..... 16
Total..... 96

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Tony Martin... to join navy January 2.

Crooner Martin Will Join Navy

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27 (AP)—Tony Martin, movie actor and singer, tonight said that he was going to enlist in the navy January 2 and that a complaint issued in Los Angeles charging him with failure to report for a selective service physical examination was all a mistake.

Car Stickers on Sale Soon

First Federal Tax Fee to Be \$2.09

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Automobile use tax stickers will go on sale at the Omaha post office and the office of the collector of internal revenue within the next four weeks, it was said at the treasury department here today.

Cost of these first stickers will be \$2.09, representing the tax for the remaining portion of the fiscal year, February 1 to July 1. New stickers costing \$5 will be issued prior to July 1 for the following fiscal year.

Persons purchasing cars after February 1 will be permitted to buy stickers at cost prorated according to the number of months remaining in the fiscal year. The new stickers to be issued for July 1 sales will be printed in a monthly series, one for the full year and one for each of the 11 monthly portions of the remaining year.

New purchasers will be required to pay only the remaining portion of the yearly tax. Whether any provision will be made for refunds in event of sales could not be learned. It is probable, however, that such refunds will be left for the owner and purchaser to settle.

Penalty for failure to pay the tax will be a fine of \$25 or a 30-day jail sentence. Details of enforcement have not been completed. The suggestion has been made that local police officials and state highway patrols may be asked to co-operate.

It is estimated the tax will yield 160 million dollars.

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Japs Say Hongkong Littered with Dollars
Tokio, Dec. 27 (Official Broadcast Recorded by AP).—The newspaper Asahi reported today that, on the day after the Japanese occupation of Hongkong, the streets of the British crown colony were littered with Hongkong dollars—in use under British rule—and that no one bothered to pick them up.

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
Ask Hoboes to Enlist
Duluth, Minn., Dec. 27 (AP)—Garbed in a Canadian army uniform, Dr. J. Leon Lazarewitz, president of the Rambling Hobo Fellowship of America, arrived in Duluth tonight and urged hoboes to enlist.

'Allies Gain Strength in Conferences'

—Roosevelt

Victory Plans Told Representatives of 33 Nations

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 (UP)—President Roosevelt tonight announced swift progress in the creation of a world-encircling front of nations allied both militarily and economically for "the crushing defeat of those forces which have attacked and made war upon us."

The president's announcement of "excellent progress" on a grand plan of strategy to smash the axis in every part of the world followed five days of war council consultations that began with British Prime Minister Winston Churchill's dramatic arrival in Washington Monday night.

Crowded Day
It came after a crowded day of conferences at the White house, in which the broad structure of this strategy of victory was laid before the envoys of 33 allied governments pledged to the crushing of totalitarian aggression and representatives of Latin-American nations standing together in defense of the western hemisphere.

Today's schedule of conferences was the heaviest that Mr. Roosevelt had faced since the United States entered the war.

Besides meeting with his own military chiefs, the president and Mr. Churchill saw and reviewed the war situation with representatives of 17 Latin-American nations, seven occupied European nations, four British dominions (Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa), and China, Russia, the Netherlands, India and Iceland.

Text of Statement
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"Much has been accomplished this week through the medium of the many conferences held, in the meetings of the supply and production officials, in the sessions held by members of the military and naval groups, and in the discussions with the chiefs of missions of all nations at war with the common enemy.

"Included were conferences with the Russian and Chinese ambassadors, the Canadian prime minister, and the Netherlands minister. "As a result of all these meetings, I know tonight that the position of the United States and of all the nations aligned with us has been strengthened immeasurably.

"Advanced Far
"We have advanced far along the road toward achievement of the ultimate objective—the crushing defeat of those forces that have attacked and made war upon us.

"The conferences will continue for an indefinite period of time. It is impossible to say just now when they will terminate. It is my purpose, as soon as it is possible, to give insofar as safely will permit.

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—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
Urge Plants Run on New Year's
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 (AP)—William S. Knudsen, OPM director general, and Associate Director Sidney Hillman joined today in urging that all war industry plants work full time on New Year's day.

Their statement said that the proposed holiday work was suggested spontaneously in many sections of the country and that a nationwide adoption of it would "speed collapse of the axis by millions of man hours."

Knudsen quoted a telegram from a midwestern manufacturer who said that "since the men at the front are not taking time off to celebrate New Year's day we feel that this should not be considered a holiday for defense plants."

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
Sofia Legation Staff Safe
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 (AP)—All members of the American legation staff at Sofia arrived safe and well in Istanbul today, the state department was informed.

Manila Demands Defense, Scorns 'Surrender Plea,' Hint Offensive Is Delayed

May Direct First Blow at Germany

Yanks Faced by Wait in East if Men Go to Europe, Africa

By Marr McGaffin

World-Herald Bureau, Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—The impression is growing here that a jolt to American tradition and pride may come out of the Roosevelt-Churchill conferences.

It comes from hints being dropped that prompt and unstinted revenge for Pearl Harbor and Wake island may not fit into the world-wide plan of defeating the axis.

Instead of pouring every ounce of American strength into the Pacific in an effort to blast the Japs off the face of the map, this strategy may call for pouring men and supplies into Europe and Africa.

Such a decision would mean fighting little more than a cagey defensive war in the Pacific while equipment and manpower are being piled up across the Atlantic for the time when a knockout blow could be dealt against Italy and Germany.

Probably would mean the sacrifice of all our Pacific outposts with the exception of Hawaii.

Major question on which all decisions hang is how soon can sufficient manpower and equipment be assembled to permit the allied democracies to launch a real offensive.

Second is, where that major action will take place.

East or West?

Can final success be achieved more quickly by concentrating on knocking out Japan and relieving the back door pressure, or by putting everything into a mighty effort to drive a death blow home to Germany and Italy?

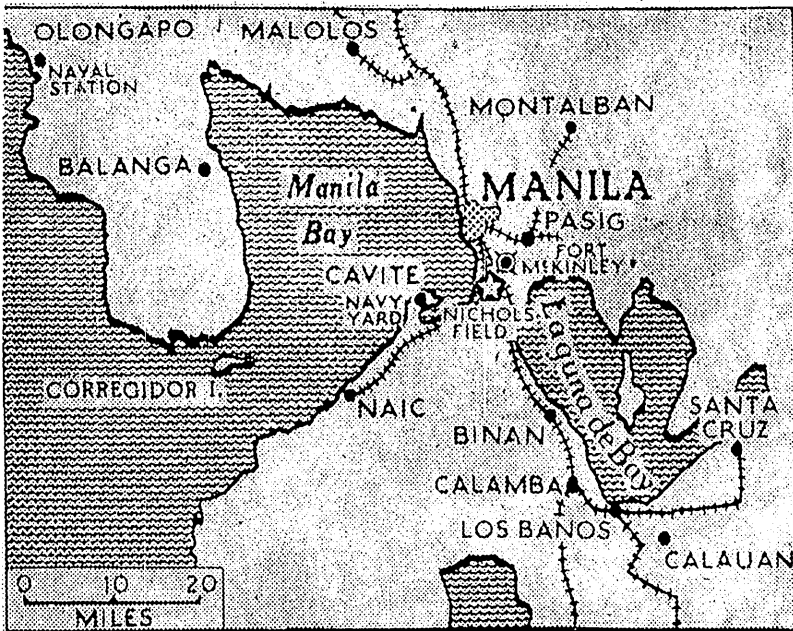
It's going to be a hard decision.

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—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
12 Survivors Being Brought Into Port
Honolulu, Dec. 27 (INS)—Headquarters of the Fourteenth United States naval district announced today 12 survivors from the American merchant ship Manini, sunk about December 17, were being brought into Pearl Harbor later in the day. The navy released no further information.

The Manini is listed by Lloyd's as a 3,253-ton vessel.

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
Strike of Carpenters Mars Labor Picture
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 (AP)—The OPM labor division reported today a strike of four hundred AFL carpenters at a Beaver, Pa., housing project was the only work stoppage currently affecting the war program.

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
First Tokio Bombing Will Pay Flier \$200
Jackson, Mich., Dec. 27 (AP)—William R. Spencer, wholesale grocer, today offered a two hundred dollar defense saving bond to the first American aviator to drop a bomb on Tokio.



Protected only by a 34-year-old treaty... the Manila area was bombed by unopposed Japanese planes Saturday. Today the demand was for the army to revoke its declaration of Manila as an "open city" and to return for a stand. Bombed cities besides Manila were nearby Santa Cruz, Calamba, Los Banos and Calauan.

Perak River Lines Hold, British Say

Deny Japanese Cross; Dutch Get 2 Ships; Shakeup in Burma

Compiled from Cable Dispatches.
British forces have repulsed fresh attacks on the Perak river front, three hundred miles north of Singapore, a British communique declared today, while the British changed command in Burma, and the Dutch reported their bombers accounted for two more Japanese ships.

The British communique came after reports that Japanese had crossed the Perak river were received in London via the Swiss radio.

Japanese bombers concentrated their fire on the Kuala Lumpur district yesterday and badly damaged one of Malaya's largest and finest mosques located in the heart of the capital city of the Federated Malay States, 180 miles north of Singapore.

Three worshippers in the mosque were killed. Unofficial reports said several government buildings in Kuala Lumpur also were damaged.

Bribe Natives
Dispatches from Singapore said that some Japanese were using bribed aborigines to lead them along secret jungle paths to outflank the British.

Cheated
In the past, these tribesmen had sometimes been cheated by unscrupulous traders.

The government recently made an effort to halt mistreatment of the tribes and to rehabilitate them but this process is a slow one and it was believed that some tribesmen were easy marks for Japanese money.

Foes Force Increases
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"Enemy air activity has been heavy."

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Foto-Fooler Answers in Magazine Section
Correct answers in the recent Foto-Fooler contest will be found on Page 26, of the Sunday World-Herald Magazine. Prize winners have not yet been selected.

New Troops Are Sent to Luzon Front

Japs Quit Mountains and Push to Plains 97 Miles from City

Compiled from Cable Dispatches.
Reinforcements were reported reliably today to have been dispatched to both the northern and southern Luzon fronts where outnumbered Philippine defenders are battling Japanese invaders.

Japanese forces last night advanced slowly against stubbornly resisting American and Philippine troops in a huge north-and-south pincer which seeks to clamp its jaws upon Manila.

On the northern front, the Japanese spearheads have turned from the narrow, mountainous defiles of the north onto the broad Pampanga plains. Their advance guard was reported at Urdaneta, eight miles south of Binalonan and about 97 miles from Manila.

Dangerous
Reports from the southern front placed the Japanese advance at Lucena, 64 airline miles from Manila, but separated from the capital by several mountain ranges, lakes, swamps and difficult terrain. At this point the Japanese had driven forward about 26 miles from their landing stage on Lamongan bay, a 20-mile strip of beach from Atimonan to Mauban.

Both the Japanese thrusts were regarded as dangerous. They were backed by increasing numbers of mobile Japanese troops, landed with light arms and equipment from transports standing off Lingayen gulf in the northwest of Lamongan bay to the southeast.

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Japs Won't Bomb Again 'If Troops Quit Resistance'

We Can Take It, Manilans Declare; At Least 40 Die, 142 Injured in Raids; Giant Fires Still Burning

By Frank Hewlett

Manila, Dec. 28 (UP)—Manila residents, bombed out of their homes, churches and schools, demanded today that the army revoke its declaration of the city as open and return for a last man stand of the Philippine capital.

They laughed at a Tokio broadcast—in English, Spanish and native tongues—that the Japanese would consider Manila and its approaches as undefended on condition Filipino troops quit resisting and fully co-operate with the Japanese.

The Tokio radio said the attacks Saturday were "directed only against military objectives."

Great fires crackled through the historic buildings of Manila's ancient walled city this Sunday morning and the angry populace shouted:

"We can take it like London did!"

Death Toll Heavy
The death toll in the Japanese attack was feared heavy. A preliminary survey showed 40 civilians killed and 142 wounded in the old walled city—some of them nuns whose bodies still were being removed from ancient religious edifices which bore the brunt of the savage Japanese assault.

The Japanese attack struck the old walled city only 30 hours after Gen. Douglas MacArthur, commander of United States forces in the Far East, formally declared the capital an "open city" and left Manila with all United States and Philippine forces, and President Manuel Quezon and the heads of the Philippine government.

As daylight faded, flames from the blazing old structures made a mockery of Manila's blackout.

Fires Under Control
But by mid-evening Manila firemen after hours of heroic work reported they believed they had the conflagration under control unless the wind rose. The million-dollar Manila cathedral, Santo Tomas medical college and other threatened structures in the old city would be saved, it was believed.

But Santo Domingo church—built by the Dominicans in 1588—was gone, its weathered stucco walls crushed by bombs and its massive timberwork consumed by flames. The loss was estimated by the Dominicans at two million dollars or more without taking into (Continued - Page 4, Column 1.)

—Buy Defense Stamps and Bonds—
Will Tell Looting on Burma Road
How Chinese racketeers and war profiteers have looted unknown quantities of goods on the Burma road and sold them at neat profits will be told in a series of articles by Leland Stowe, Far Eastern expert of the Chicago Daily News foreign service, to be published in The World-Herald.

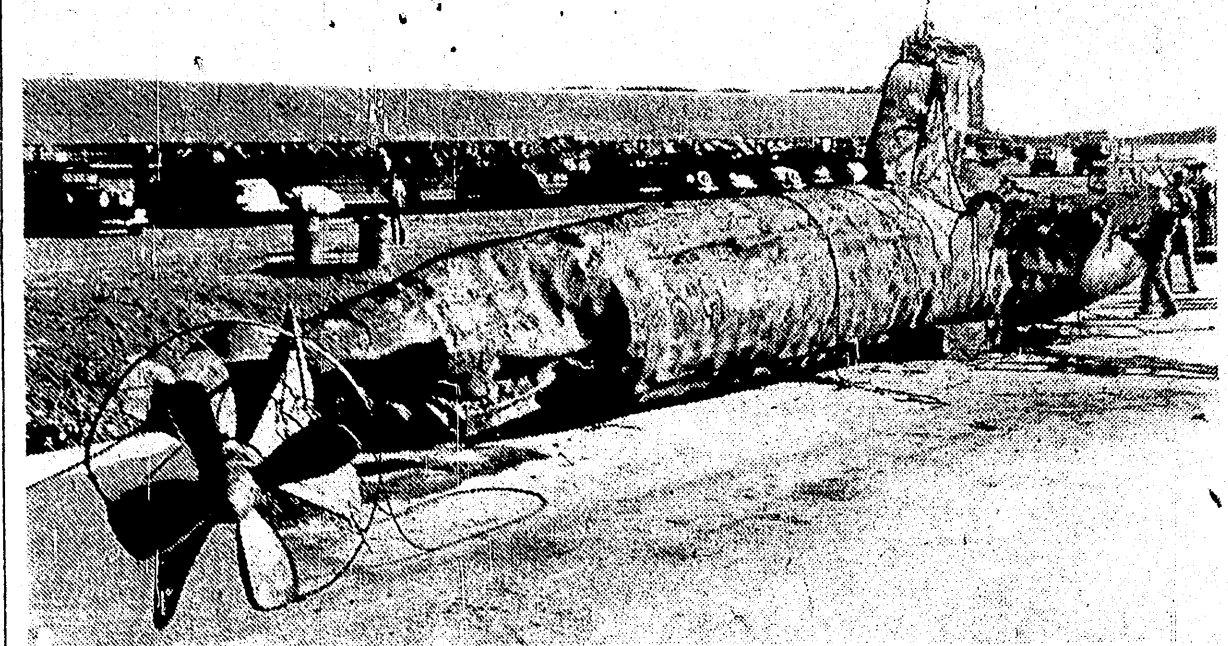
Stowe will tell how thousands of Chinese soldiers have gone without rifles, grenades or munitions because of this costly racketeering. He will tell why an important part of the winning of the Pacific "must be an uncompromising reform of the Burma road system." First of the series will appear in Tuesday evening Herald.

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Canada Imposes Ban on Auto Tire Sales
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 27.—The manufacture and sale of automobile tires, except for new cars and military purposes, has been suspended in Canada.

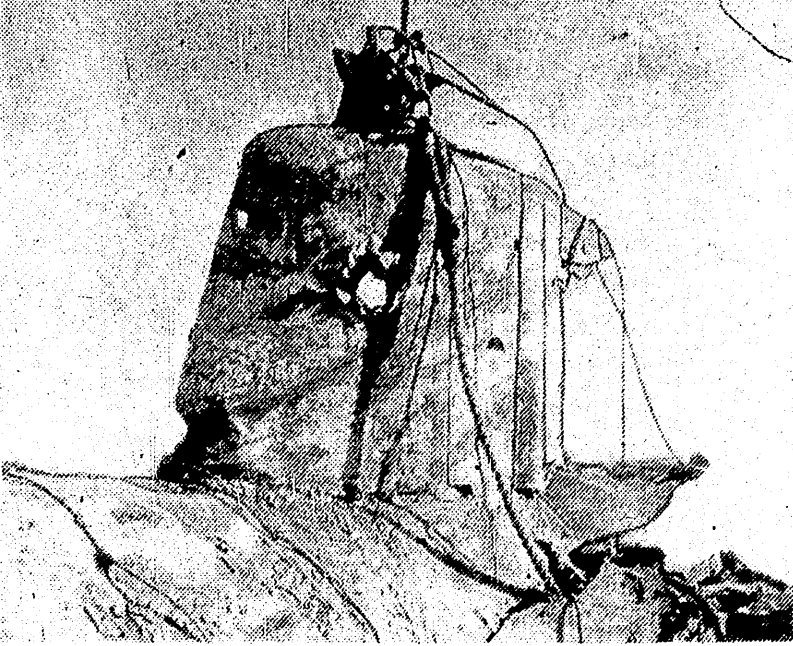
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The Weather
(U. S. Weather Bureau.)
Towa—Cloudy to partly cloudy, colder east today; highest temperature 15-22; wind 5-10 miles per hour.

Temperatures
12:30 p. m. 18; 7:30 p. m. 13
1:30 p. m. 18; 8:30 p. m. 12
2:30 p. m. 18; 9:30 p. m. 10
3:30 p. m. 18; 10:30 p. m. 10
4:30 p. m. 16; 11:30 p. m. 10
5:30 p. m. 15; 12:30 a. m. 10
6:30 p. m. 15; 1:30 a. m. 12
Summary of 24 hours ending 6:30 p. m. Saturday:
High, 20; low, 13; mean, 16; normal, 24; total excess since January 1, 921; record temperatures for same date, high, 57 in 1889; low, —15 in 1886.
High temperature year ago, 38; low, 31.
Precipitation: Total 24 hours, trace; since January 1, 29.22; excess, 1.46. Precipitation to same date year ago, 24.70; total this month, 3.35.
Relative humidity (percentage): 6:30 a. m., 94; noon, 90; 6:30 p. m., 87.
Missouri river level yesterday, 3.9 feet; normal, 5.2.

American Forces Get Good View of Jap 2-Man Sub



Here are two views of a Japanese two-man submarine which was sunk in the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor. Rammied by a destroyer and hit by a depth charge, the sub was raised and put on land after the attack.



On the left is a view from the stern. The "washboard" effect was made by the depth charge. In the other photo a shell hole is clearly visible in the conning tower.—AP Wirephoto.