Pearl Harbor Repairs Began Before Jap Raid **Ended, Navy Reports**

Pacific Yard Doubled Output Immediately After Dec. 7 Attack

By the Associated Press.

The Navy reported yesterday that repair work on ships and shore installations damaged in the Pearl Harbor attack actually started before the enemy bombs stopped falling and that immediately after the disastrous raid, the production of the Navy Yard there was more than doubled.

Several months before the attack which started the war in the Pacific the Navy frankly said, "Pearl Harbor was not in true fact the "Gibraltar of the Pacific' which it was alleged to be."

"When the Pacific fleet began using Pearl Harbor as an operating base in 1940," the Navy resume continued, "many deficiencies became apparent and immediate steps were begun to remedy the situation. * * * Construction of the more important new facilities, which were so badly needed, was approaching completion on December 7, 1941."

Repairs Began Immediately.

The force of workmen at the yard had been increased six-fold by the time the attack came, but many were wholly inexperienced in marine construction and engineering. This handicap was cited as all the more reason for giving great credit to the yard force for successfully accomplishing "by far the biggest and most difficult job which had ever confronted any navy yard."

"Before the heat of the attack had passed and, literally, before the bombs stopped falling," the Navy related, "men not engaged in defense,, rescue, or control of damage were busy at their assigned repair tasks or in the survey and planning of damage to be repaired. A quick survey of the Navy Yard itself showed that only minor damage had been done to the plant fa-

"Officers and men went to work with such zeal and energy that than doubled in an already hard working, efficient organization. A pace was set which all knew could Trip Down Mississippi not be a spurt but which had to be maintained indefinitely following the declaration of war.'

Worked 24-Hour Shifts.

During the first few days, many men worked virtually 24-hour shifts. eating and sleeping where they could. Some were fed aboard the ships they worked on. Some slept in shops or on shipboard.

devotion to duty and the unselfish sacrifices made daily by all naval and civilian personnel of the yard proper, working two shifts of 10 of salvaged vessels cannot be imag- building Co. ined by anyone not personally in touch with such a situation.

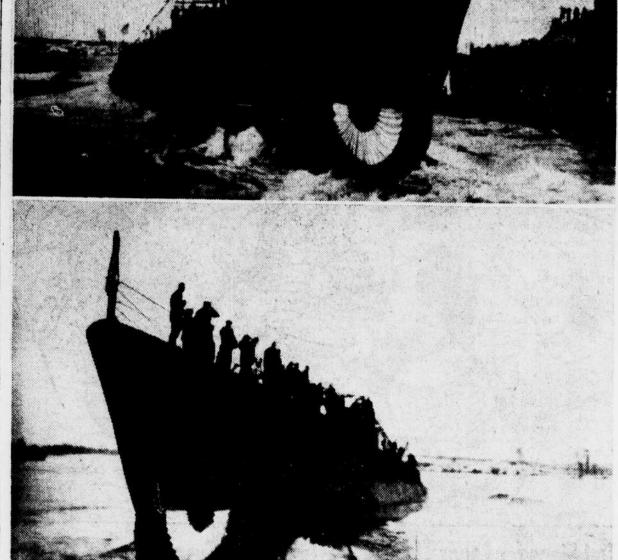
paid to the untiring and most efthe engineering staff, and supervisors of the contractors' group of the Pacific naval air bases who were present at Pearl Harbor on and after December 7, 1941.

Feat of Engineering.

"Without the personnel, the engineering skill and the equipment of these contractors, on the site, it to handle successfully a salvage job of the magniture of that which conof many months of vital time in the rehabilitation of the fleet."

might have been a different story."

Among vessels which were quickly ships during that period. repaired, at least to the extent that they were able to get back to United States West Coast bases for permanent repairs, the Navy mentioned



PORTSMOUTH, N. H .- SUBS BUILT IN RECORD TIME-Two submarines, built in record time, are sliding down the ways at a twin launching here. The U.S. S. Cisco (bottom) was on the ways 56 days and a few hours. The U.S. S. Cabrilla (top) also broke the record of 101 days set last summer on the U. S. S. Steelhead. Its time was not announced.

First U. S. Sub Built productive output immediately more In Great Lakes Begins

Floating Dry Dock Will Carry USS Peto To New Orleans

The U. S. S. Peto, first Navy submarine ever built in the Great Editorials. Lakes, has completed first tests and War Review begun the long trip down the Mississippi River to New Orleans.

It is not only the first Navy submarine built in the inland waters. Sports and Finance. but it also is the first man-of-war ever to go down to the sea over Sports. and 14 hours, respectively," the this route. It is the first of a group Navy declared. "Working condi- of submarines to be built for Uncle tions in the muddy and oily debris | Sam by the Manitowoo (Wis.) Ship-

The commander of the underseas Society craft is 34-year-old Lt. Comdr. Society News. William T. Nelson of Fall River, "The highest tribute must be Mass. He took the vessel down Lake Michigan to Chicago where it fective assistance rendered from the was decommissioned and returned beginning by the civilian employes, to the builders. The Peto then was Amusements. towed through the Chicago drainage Theaters canal and entered the Illinois Waterway bound for Lockport, Ill., Music, where it will be placed in a floating dry dock. The remainder of the trip to New Orleans will be made in this floating dock, under tow and under Coast Guard protection.

After fitting out and completing Hobbies. the tests, the Peto will be recommissioned by Read Admiral Frank T. Where to Go would have been wholly impossible Leighton, commandant of the 8th

Reviewing the activities of subfronted the yard without the loss marines in the current war, the Navy said the new sub would join a fleet that has accounted for more than one-third of all Axis ships The Navy also reported that "it sunk or damaged from December can be said finally that, had the 7, 1941, to December 21, 1942. Com-Japs destroyed the navy yard, it muniques give credit to the submarines for the destruction of 143

Prefer Stamps to Party

The employes of Philipsborn's the cruisers Helena, Raleigh and Specialty Store received a Christmas Honolulu; the scaplane tender Cur- gift of War stamps instead of their tiss and repair ship Vestal and the annual store party, the firm announced yesterday. A meeting, held by employes and management, re-War bonds make bombers to bomb
the Axis and lower our taxes. Why
not have some and belo recognited.

War bonds make bombers to bomb
war stamps. Each employe was given a book "filled with a substanriage of a relative, Miss Belle Wyatt

Fairfax Ration Board Workers Paid but Once Since Oct. 1

Pairfax County Ration Board have with only one telephone available." received only one check from the county fuel-oil official, said new OPA since October 1, it was dis- quarters must be found next week closed last night by former State for the fuel-oil branch of the board Sentaor J. W. Rust, chairman of which has occupied an office made Harvard, class of 1940, and attended pints refer to milk which must be

In assailing what he termed the bad business practice of the OPA regional office in Atlanta, Mr. Rust County Health Department. said he would not blame these the job

Mrs. Mollie W. Cleveland, execu-

One worker at the board said, however, that she understood numerous new applications by mistakes made requests for checks had been by 20 workers borrowed by OPA

program," Mr. Rust said, "both sal- Christmas eve. aried and volunteer workers at the rationing board have labored under processed by these workers have Low the handicap of inadequate facili-

been supplied for a county of 60,000 takes and issue new fuel oil

Meanwhile Mrs. E. C. Murray, Service Co. This office, she said, listment in the Army Signal Corps. seller, A. G. Odendaal. will be taken over the first of the year by the sanitary division of the

Mrs. Murray, who pointed out that "paid workers" if they walked off the fuel-oil branch still is receiving almost as many applications a Checks for ration board workers day as it is processing, said there in Virginia cover only a half-month was no space for her workers at period. Mr. Rust said he did not the board's main office, and she know just when it was since Octo- added that unless new quarters are ber 1 that the Fairfax workers found, she would be forced to move

the records to her home. Asserting that the fuel oil divitive secretary of the Fairfax Board, sion can now "see daylight ahead," refused to comment on the matter. Mrs. Murray said volunteers were slowed down in their processing of "ignored" by the OPA regional of- from the Office of Emergency Management and sent to the Fairfax "Throughout the entire rationing board to aid local workers on

"Only about three applications been found correct," Mrs. Murray Hi said, "and it has taken a day's "Only five salaried workers have work for us to correct these mis-

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Of Relative in Fairfax

slipped quietly away from the White John Gorham Palfrey, jr., of Boston. was superficial. The ceremony, attended only by

members of both families and close friends, took place in Truro Protestant Episcopal Church, which dates back to Civil War days. The bride is a daughter of Maj. The five salaried workers at the ried on in cramped quarters and and Mrs. Kermit Roosevelt and a niece of Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, widow of the former Speaker

of the House. She is a member of the senior class at Barnard College, New York City.

British Extend Stabs At Burma to 110 Miles Northeast of Akyab

Patrols Closer to Port On Bay of Bengal Keep Up Pressure on Japs

Pages B-1-3 NEW DELHI, Dec. 26.—British Page B-2 Page B-3 stabs at Burma extended 110 Page B-4-5 miles northeast of the Bay of Chin Hills, a British communique Pages C-1 to 4 tained steady pressure on the steamfitters: Willy Arnheim, labor- instructor and former opera singer, Page C-5 Japanese.

(An indication that the RAF had established an air base in Burma was found in a Berlin broadcast of a Tokio dispatch saying "23 enemy aircraft were brought down or destroyed on the ground in Burma between December 21-26.")

The British cautioned again that all land operations were merely small-scale probings and that air Offer Comedy Tonight attacks presently were the weightiest offensive actions. The Toungoo airdrome in Burma

was raided again yesterday and Page E-6 several Japanese planes were de-Page E-6 stroyed aground. An oil tank at Chauk, railway cars at Kyaukadaung, buildings at Akyab, trains and locomotives near Monywa and a large river steamer and other boats on the Chindwin River were

The action in the Chin Hills oc-Page F-3 curred two days ago. The British Pages F-4-5 had captured high ground and Jap-Page F-6 anese patrols attempted to route Gen. Wavell's men with crossfire. Roosevelts Attend Wedding The British said the Japanese were repelled with losses. The Chin Hills lie along the Indian frontier north and slightly east of the Arakan area where the British are nearest

Calcutta was free of Japanese cessive raids. The humble Indians were a bit shaky in the knees but none of the vital services such as not buy some and help yourself? tial number" of stamps, it was said. Roosevelt, granddaughter of the late electricity, water and trolley service President Theodore Roosevelt, to was affected. Damage to the city

Small fires were controlled swiftly. When the bombers were overhead. the Indians congregated at railway stations or fled over the Howrah Bridge across the Ganges.

Milk Is Part Payment

Young Palfrey is a graduate of Nylstroom, South Africa. The four available by the Virginia Public Harvard law school until his en- delivered by the purchaser to the

Weather Report

District of Columbia-Not quite so cold Sunday with gentle to

Maryland-Little change in temperature tonight and Sunday. Virginia-Somewhat warmer extreme southwest portion tonight.

Potomac and Shenandoah Rivers clear at Harpers Ferry. Potomac clear at Great Falls. Monthly precipitation in inches in the Capital (current month to date); Lowest, 38, 6:30 a.m. Yesterday year ago, 31. Highest, 99, on July 19. Lowest, 1, on December 21.

OCD Praises Labor For Contributions To Defense Work

Pledges of Money and Service of Members Cited by D. C. Unit

The local Office of Civilian Deense yesterday paid tribute to organized labor's contribution to the financial needs of the civilian defense organization by citing the numerous occasions when the unions have provided funds not available from Government or other sources.
Of the \$130,000 pledged by members of the Central Labor Union. \$120,000 has already been collected and \$86,000 has been either spent or allocated for definite purposes. The largest item still to be dis-

equipment, has been tied up until recently because of priorities. A recent gift from the CLU consisted of three portable "iron lungs, presented to Emergency, Casualty and Freedmen's Hospitals. Previously, two union locals presented portable aluminum lungs to hos-

The CLU fund has also made it possible to purchase portable radios for sector wardens throughout the Metropolitan area Financed Blood Bank. Union workers not only contrib-

uted \$30,000 worth of equipment to establish the civilian defense blood bank and additional funds to pay salaries of blood bank technicians, but also lined up as blood donors to stock the bank.
Gifts of \$7,000 each were pre sented to Prince Georges and Mont-

gomery Counties in Maryland and Arlington County, Va., to purchase helmets, rubber boots and similar equipment for wardens while Fairfax County, Va., received \$1,000. The CLU contributed substan tially to the purchase of 15 police scout cars and equipped 11 of them with ambulance units. The group

is also underwriting the purchase of 16,640 stirrup pumps for sale to the public. Other CLU contributions listed by the OCD were the purchase of 52,000 white overseas caps for warboots for auxiliary firemen at a cost of \$5,000; food supplies for feeding units, \$2,500; emblems for eograph and other equipment for OCD headquarters, the rescue squad, warden headquarters and control

Unions Provide Volunteers. The OCD also called attention to American Federation of Labor unions here. According to CLU President John Locher, members of the AFL were among the first to sign up as wardens, rescue squad members and for other vital de-fense jobs. He disclosed that the AFL is supplying all of the labor for decontamination crews. Members of the Civilian Defense

Fund Committee of the CLU who have worked with local OCD to put Second Woman, 65, Dies funds where they were needed most include Charles B. McClosky, bakers. Frank J. Coleman, plate printers; By the Associated Press announced today, while patrois Robert Lester, bakery drivers; Fred LOS ANG within 50 miles of Akyab main-s. Walker, treasurer; John M. Botts, Jessie Hamil musicians; Ernest Fontana, painters; F. E. Kettner, carpenters; Ernest B. Spangler, hotel workers; Fred C. Thomas, stonemasons; John P. for questioning. Shields, engineers; B. A. Downey, plumbers: Edward Rothschild, bookbinders: F. H. McGuigan, retail clerks: Albert N. Dennis, office

"On Strivers' Row," a comedy, by Abram Hill, will be presented by the American Negro Theater of New York City at 9:30 o'clock tonight at Turner's Arena, Fourteenth and W YOUND WOOD ON THE WOOD ON THE

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Army Private Is Paid \$1,500 For Designing New Air Medal



Pvt. Walker Hancock (left), 41, receives a check from Col. W. M. Dixon for the winning design of the new Air Medal, authorized by President Roosevelt for meritorious achievement in

By the Associated Press.

Pvt. Walker Hancock of the Army Medical Corps has hit the jackpot The Government has paid him \$1,500 for his winning design for the new

Pvt. Hancock, 41, a native of St. Louis with a sculpture studio in Gloucester, Mass., entered the open competition for a design when President Roosevelt authorized the air medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight not warranting the award of a Distinguished Flying Then he was drafted and assigned

to the 14th General Hospital Detachment, Camp Livingston, La. Following a day on kitchen police. dens at a cost of \$25,000; rubber he was engaged in close order drill when he was ordered to report to headquarters. There he was inwarden helmets. \$254; office. mim- and he was to go to Washington to put the finishing touches on it. This was not his first successful medal design, however. He designed the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal and the air mail flyers' Medal of Honor. A graduthe volunteers drawn from the ate of Pennsylvania Academy, he won the coveted Prix de Rome in 1925, and has done a number of

portrait busts and sculptures for public buildings, including the Kansas City (Mo.) City Hall and War Memorial, the St. Louis War Memorial and the Pensylvania avenue pediment of the Post Office Building

LOS ANGELES. Dec. 26.-Mrs ers; Frank W. Lee, machinists; C. F. died tonight—exactly a week after Preller, electricians; Dante Avon, she was stabbed and bludgeoned by an arsonist.

A few minutes later, police took in custody a 36-year-old salesman

Mrs. Hamilton's death was the second from the brutal assault by a tall man wearing dark gloves who entered the apartment she shared with Miss Anna Dreyfus, 83, slugged and knifed them, and, then tried unsuccessfully to set the premises ablaze before he fled.

Miss Dreyfus, former Washington (D. C.) French teacher, succumbed a few hours after the

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THE NEW AIR MEDAL.

Ann Rutherford Weds formed his design had been selected. Chain Store Head's Son

By the Associated Press. HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 26. - Ann Rutherford, 23 - year - old screen married tonight to David May, 30. son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom May.

The ceremony was performed by Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin at the May Phoenix. Ariz., and New York City. Commission.

Montgomery Resigns As Consumer Counsel; Protests Food Setup

Hendrickson Will Fill Vacated Post Within Few Days, He Says

Donald Montgomery, consumers' counsel for the Agriculture Department since 1935, tendered his resignation yesterday, protesting that his division "has been excluded from any part of the responsibility with respect to how much food shall be reserved for the civilian population" in the new War Food Administra-

Mr. Montgomery announced his resignation in his regular weekly broadcast, "Consumer Time." Later the department issued a statement, saying:

"In accepting the resignation Roy F. Hendrickson, director of food distribution, said he planned within a few days to choose Mr. Montgomery's successor and added that Secretary Wickard had directed him to greatly strengthen and expand consumer work."

Division "Excluded." In his letter of resignation Mr. Montgomery said "This (the new food administration) should give the Consumers' Counsel Division, after its years of effort, under some difficulty, to represent American consumers in agricultural policy, its first opportunity to do an effective job in their behalf."

But it had been excluded, he said, adding, "Your decision to establish definite consumer responsibilities in another division provides at least a precise termination to this unsatisfactory situation."

In reply Mr. Hendrickson accepted the resignation and added, "No final decision has been made on the place of the Consumers' Counsel organization in the new Food Distribution Administration setup. Now that we have a clear responsibility for determining civilian requirements-and for fighting for themwe must establish a strong branch on civilian supply.

In U. S. Service 12 Years. "Appropriate units of the consumers' counsel unit should be insweetheart of Mickey Rooney, was tegrated with it to give the department stronger, better-staffed consumer work than ever before with a set of program objectives on which

Mr. Montgomery entered Federal mansion, with only close relatives service 12 years ago after adminispresent. The elder May heads a tering Wisconsin's fair trade law, department store chain, of which the legal parent of the NRA. He his son is a vice president. The went to the Agriculture Department honeymoon in from the Securities and Exchange



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