"GOONEY GAZETTE -- FEBRUARY, 1942"

Library Hours: 5 to 6 p.m. daily. Have you read Knight's THIS ABOVE ALL, Edmond's DRUMS ALONG THE MOHAWK, Maurois' THE MIRACLE OF ENGLAND, Walling's THE CORPSE WITH THE BLISTERED HAND, Meek's MONKEYS HAVE NO TAILS IN ZAMBOANGA. We have them here.

Java became the most critical spot in the far east. Soerabaja was again raided. Some damage was done. No mention was made of Fighter planes escorting the bombers on this raid. In another sector of Java, for the first time it is reported that a small squadron of P-40 were seen in action. The American pursuit planes shot down 1 enemy bomber and one pursuit plane, while losing one of their planes.

The American-Filipino forces in the Bataan peninsula are enjoying a rest. A lull has fallen in the Battle of Bataan. Only combat operations were limitted to skirmishes. Each side seeing what the other side was going to do.

British artillery traded punches across the strait. The enemy continued to attack from the air, but they do not dominate the air in Singapore. One Jap plane was shot down, probably another, and one was damaged. The Japanese attacked shipping near Singapore Island. The British Guns knocked out gun positions and enemy observation posts. The result of the enemy shelling was negligible. A small party that remained behind to harass Japanese communication, has joined the forces on Singapore.

The Japanese public is being told thru their newspapers that the capture of Singapore will not be easy-they expect the fall by February 11th, but it will be a tough fight.

Communiques told of sharp advances of Rommel's forces--they are 50 miles away from Tobruk.

British troops were on offensive action in some sectors of Burma. Marataban had a quiet day except for a little shelling. Enemy raiders bombed western suburbs of Rangoon, causing no damage and little casualtie

The Russian army is pushing ahead steadily. $l\frac{1}{2}$ Million Troops were sacraficed by Hitler in the Ukraine. In some sectors the Germans were furled 175 miles since December. The Russians are threatening many communication lines. Moscow announced that a Russian pilot flying an American Plane shot down 6 German Planes.

The Nazi are preparing to transport supplies thru North Africa using French Steamers. This report is by an Official American Source.

Much of occupied France were showered with pamphlets. $3\frac{1}{2}$ Million leaflet were dropped by R.A.F. fliers. This was the biggest pamphlet bombing ever done. 397 Thousand of #2 were dropped with pamphlets #1. The pamphlets contained excerts of president Roosevelts message to Congress on the production plan of military equipment.

United States Under-Secretary Sumner Welles announced that the Germans were taking all food away from the Greek People and permitting them to starve. Welles expressed that Great Britian is sending food to alleviate the situation.

It was announced in Washington yesterday that all tires will be made under certain government specifications.

The A.E.F. in Ireland is going into action next Friday---Boxing match with the British Armed forces. 15 Yanks will down the gloves.

To date 16 Allied vessels have been torpedoed in the Atlantic since the start of War--15 of these have sunk to the bottom of the ocean.

London announced that Allied Air Forces sank or damaged 64 Axis vessels in January. 52 Japanese vessels were sent to the bottom or hit in the Pacific. 5 vessels sunk or damaged in the Mediterranean Sea. 6 enemy vessels and 1 tanker in the Atlantic. 6 enemy supply ships have been sunk or damaged in the North Sea. 43 Air attacks were made by the R.A.F. against 23 land targets. 213 Axis aircraft were destroyed.

Washington Navy Yard workers contributed \$33 Thousand for defense bonds.