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## JAPAN RUNS AMUCK

War now covers the globe. To our Ally America, December 7th was "The day of Infamy". Japan tears off the mask and turns the once Pacific Ocean into a sea of blood. Wholesale war blackens the sky in the East and West. While Nomura and Kurusu stall for time in Washington, Japanese planes are setting out to bomb American bases. The Mikado, Japan's "Son of Heaven", is brushed aside by his War Lords. Without any declaration of war American and British bases in the Pacific are attacked, and two great men of destiny are fighting another foe - together.

Very obviously no pictures of the war in the Far East are yet available, but these scenes from the areas of conflict are convenient pegs on which to hang the story of Japan's plunge into the abyss of war with the democracies. American soldiers and sailors are struck down by the treacherous orientals before their country is at war; a now well established rule of Axis warfare.

In Malaya British troops meet the invaders as they attempt landings on the Peninsula and in Thailand. In the Tropical Jungles; in the Phillipines, Hong Kong, Honolulu, Midway Islands, Guam, war is flaring wide across the Pacific.

For many years Japan has had designs on the Kra Isthmus, to cut off Singapore with a canal of her own making, but Singapore has still to be very much contended with. The gateway to the East is Britain's key point in this second war as the Japs will discover to their cost.

Japanese ships are planted far over the Pacific, but it so happens that every one of her vessels is being hunted down by the combined strength of the British and American fleets. Yes, the foul infection of treachery and greed has found a willing victim in Hitler's Yellow brother.

The Japanese Flagship IDZUMO fought her first battle of the war at Shanghai, sinking the little British gunboat "PETEREL" as she opened fire when called on to surrender.

America fully recognizes her danger. San Francisco had an early foretaste of trouble. The whole Western coastline from Panama to Alaska is on the alert. Hollywood, America's film city blacks out at night, while the oil fields at Long Beach presents a tempting prize for oil-hungry Japan. America has to be very much on guard. Already her Navy has suffered severe blows but now the gloves are off, there are many ships ready to avenge the attack on Pearl Harbour.

In a matter of hours the danger of invasion has suddenly swung to the American Coast.

The Japanese High Command has kicked its Military ant-heap and scattered the contents over the Pacific. The job of purging the world of these yellow termites is just another job for democracy.

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