



AMERICANS CROSS THE RHINE - Large arrow indicates the crossing of the Rhine river south of Cologne by the U.S. First Army. Other First Army troops have taken half of Bonn and Bad Godesberg, and Berlin reported a thrust (broken arrow) south of the Ahr river. Third Army forces have reached the Rhine near Coblenz.

Tokyo Declares Yanks Inading Mindanao Island

By The Associated Press
American forces have landed on Mindanao island after a heavy bombardment from a naval task force which included four battleships, 20 other ships and 20 Tokyo radio said today.

Remagen Span Holds



YANKS ADVANCE THROUGH COLOGNE RUINS - Troops of the 3rd armored division, 1st U.S. Army, advance through ruins of Cologne, Germany. Twin spires of famous cathedral appear undamaged in background.

Nazi Resistance Gone In Eifels

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS, March 9 (AP)—The American First Army steadily enlarged its Remagen bridgehead in inner Germany today to an east bank wedge at least five miles deep and ten wide.

Russians Reopen Kuestrin Battle

By RICHARD KASISCHKE
LONDON, March 9 (AP)—The troops of Marshal Gregory Zhukov in their offensive toward Berlin have fought into Kuestrin a second time, the Germans reported today, and a bitter battle is raging in the ancient streets of the Oder river fortress.

SENATORS WATCH MOSCOW FOR SIGN OF CO-OPERATION

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—Senators watched the Moscow negotiations on a provisional Polish government today for advance signs of the kind of big three nation cooperation they may expect at the world security conference.

Jap Forces On Iwo Split By Marines

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor
American invasion forces today were reported invading Mindanao, southernmost of the Philippine Islands, as U. S. Marines finally drove a wedge to the northeastern cliff on Iwo island, all but splitting the Japanese forces in two.

Davis Sworn In As Stabilization Head; Leaves WL

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—William H. Davis today finished his term as war labor board chairman and was sworn in as economic stabilization director as labor speculated he might make further fringe wage adjustments.

Hitler Reported As Visitor Along Oder

LONDON, March 9 (AP)—The German radio said today that Hitler had visited the Oder river front.

FDR Silent As To When War In Europe To End

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt labeled as a crystal ball question today a news conference inquiry whether the war in Germany had reached a point where it might end suddenly.

Kassel Blasted In Heavy Raids

LONDON, March 9 (AP)—The German industrial city of Kassel, heavily bombed by the RAF last night, was attacked again today by the main force of a 1,000-bomber fleet sent out by the U.S. Eighth Air Force.

WAC's Missing Purse Found At Crawford

Apparently Pfc. Mary McCullough's stolen purse was all a mistake. It may have been missing as far as she was concerned, but it has been at the Crawford hotel awaiting her call ever since it was found two weeks ago in a room she vacated.

Republicans Fight CCC With Array Of Evidence Declared 'Formidable'

WASHINGTON, March 9 (AP)—House Republicans amassed an array of what they called "formidable evidence" today to power a drive against immediate continuance of the Commodity Credit Corporation's life.

Fifth Closing In On Vergato; Take Carviano In Move

ROME, March 9 (AP)—U. S. Fifth Army troops closing in on the German highway stronghold of Vergato, 17 1/2 miles southwest of Bologna, have occupied Carviano, about a mile east of their objective.

Scout Commissioners' Council-Wide Meeting

Seven Big Spring scouting leaders will attend a council-wide commissioners meeting Friday evening at 6 o'clock at the Scharbauer hotel in Midland.

Hand-To-Hand Fight Rages In Mandalay

CALCUTTA, India, March 9 (AP)—Hand-to-hand fighting raged in three sections of Mandalay today as British and Indian troops surged another mile into the heart of Burma's second city.

Neighborly Policy Set

MEXICO CITY, March 9 (AP)—Edward R. Stettinius, U. S. secretary of state, declared last night that the Inter-American conference had "given concrete expression to that spirit of the good neighbor which has long since found acceptance" in this hemisphere.

Without divulging its nature, Rep. Taber (R-NY) told reporters he will produce documented proof "that will show a scandal worse than Teapot Dome."

Mr. Roosevelt had Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific Fleet Commander, as his luncheon guest today. Yesterday he saw Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, former chief of staff in China, Admiral William F. Halsey, commander of the Third Fleet and Maj. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley, his ambassador to China.

At Hamburg, the main objective was the Blohm-Voss submarine yards, where new type U-boats are being assembled. Berlin was again the target of Mosquito bombers, which dumped two-ton blockbusters on the German capital for the 17th consecutive night.

The Crawford management saw the story and reported that the purse was still on hand and had been for over two weeks. The Fort Worth WAC has been so advised.



# Girls' Cage Tourney Moving Into Quarter-Finals As China Team Out

HILLSBORO, March 9 (AP)—The state girls basketball tournament entered quarter-final play today, minus its No. 1 attraction. Tiny Hermleigh, of Scurry county, last night upset highly touted China, 36-34, snapping the Clippers' string of victories at 97. Rated No. 2 in the tournament, the Clippers were expected to battle defending champion Aquilla for the title Saturday night, but Hermleigh outlasted the Jefferson county sextette, entering quarter-final play as a definite "dark-horse" title contender. Aquilla won as expected. The Hill county club easily dumped Comfort, of Kendall county, 25-21.

# Women Bowlers Hope For Summer League

Women bowlers are exploring the possibilities of a summer league, something that has never been done in Big Spring bowling circles before. Those interested in such a league, which would start April 4, have been asked to contact Grace Applin or the bowling alley.

# Longhorns Have Slate For 1945

AUSTIN, March 9 (AP)—The University of Texas will have six home games in next season's nine-game football schedule announced yesterday by Coach D. X. Bible. The Longhorns begin the season with four practice games with Bergstrom Field of Austin, Southwestern, Texas Tech and Oklahoma before plunging into the Southwest conference campaign. The schedule: Sept. 22—Bergstrom Field at Austin; Sept. 29—Southwestern at Austin; Oct. 6—Texas Tech at Austin; Oct. 13—Oklahoma at Dallas; Oct. 20—Arkansas at Little Rock; Oct. 27—Rice at Austin; Nov. 3—Southern Methodist at Dallas; Nov. 10—Baylor at Austin; Nov. 17—Texas Christian at Austin; Nov. 29—Texas A. & M. at College Station.

# Class A And B Finalists Decided In Cage Tourney; Fans Look Ahead

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF  
AUSTIN, March 9 (AP)—Finalists in two divisions—class A and class B—were being determined this morning but the major interest rested on the teams of class AA as the Texas schoolboy basketball tournament rolled toward the half-way mark. This blue ribbon feature of the annual state meet has its first action this afternoon and tonight with Pampa clashing with Greenville, Lufkin meeting Waco, Paschal (Fort Worth) moving against Austin and El Paso High testing the favored Milby Buffs of Houston. This morning Mt. Enterprise engaged Ingleside and Prairie Valley tackled defending champion Prairie Lea in the class B division with the A class to follow in determining its finalists in games matching Quitman with Baird and East Mountain of Gilmer with Sidney Lanier of San Antonio. The state tournament drew its largest opening crowds in history yesterday as 4,000 fans saw the eight-game program. Nocona, the 1944 class A state champion, was ushered out of the tournament yesterday by a fighting team from Baird which edged the defending titlists 25-23, but the thriller of the day and night was Sidney Lanier's narrow squeak with Texas City. The Voks won 41-40 but had to

freeze the ball in the final seconds as the Texas City outfit made a gallant final period rally. Brilliant Derrest Williams, who scored 18 points for the losers, slipped in the field goal that cut the margin to one point with 20 seconds to go. In other class A first round games Quitman beat Victoria 45-21 and East Mountain of Gilmer won over Canadian 33-31. In the class B first round Mt. Enterprise defeated Sugarland 34-26, Ingleside downed McCamey 32-16, Prairie Valley of Nocona won over Stratford 26-22 and Prairie Lea beat Highland of Roscoe 42-24.

# Holdout Wife

SALT LAKE CITY, March 9 (AP)—The withholding income tax still confuses some people. Income Tax Collector William J. Korth reported one perturbed male asked "How can I keep my wife from withholding money out of her monthly check?"

PAMPA AAF HAS NEW HEAD  
PAMPA, March 9 (AP)—New commander of the Pampa Army Air Field is Col. James A. De Marco, who assumed his post yesterday. Colonel De Marco, former commanding officer of the South Plains Army Air Field at Lubbock, succeeds Col. T. W. Imley, who has been transferred to Frederick, Okla.

# Sliding Down The Sports Chute

When the Big Spring Athletic association agreed to sponsor a first annual Big Spring High School Relays they really agreed to sponsor something... thanks to Walter Reed and John Dibrill. Under the latter's direction 31 invitations went out to the schools of West Texas, and if even a third of them show up one of the finest track meets that could be wished will come off here March 24. Invited were Abilene, Odessa, San Angelo, Midland, Lamesa and Sweetwater of the local district. Plus these invitations went to Lubbock, Plainview, Breckenridge, Tahoka, Wink, Pecos, Kermit, McCombs, Monahans, Colorado City, Garden City, Sterling City, Brownfield, Levelland, Roscoe, Lorraine, Stanton, Water Valley, Garner, Forsan, Ballinger, Brady, Coleman, Post, O'Donnell and Coahoma. If that isn't a lineup to satisfy anyone, then they just can't be satisfied. Of course some of the schools will not be present, and others probably will not have a full track squad. But individual stars from most of the schools will probably come, and that promises to be quite a good show.

# Abilene Golfer Leads Italy Open

ROME, March 9 (AP)—Pvt. Tom Bolt, 28-year-old Abilene, Texas amateur, held a two-stroke lead on the field of the Rome open golf tournament today as the second half of a 300-man field of service personnel and civilians went into action. Although Bolt hadn't played a round in two and a half years, he shot a 73, two strokes ahead of Naval Technician Al Zimmerman, a former pro from Portland, Oregon, and Lieut. Charles Dudley, a Greenville, S. C. amateur.

# BASEBALL STARS TO PLAY

CHICAGO, March 9 (AP)—The 1945 all-American baseball game, sponsored by Esquire magazine and 32 newspapers, will be held in the Polo Grounds in New York on Aug. 28.

# Fighters Return To Chicago For Gloves Finals

CHICAGO, March 9 (AP)—Thirty-two fighters, representing 16 cities, return to Chicago Stadium tonight for the 1945 championship finals of the 18th annual Golden Gloves tournament. The 32 boys, survivors of an original field drawn from 28 cities in 23 states, will fight first in 16

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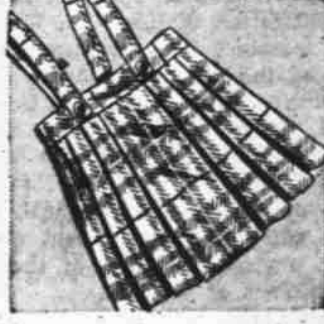
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