

CONFERENCES IN NORTH AFRICA FRIGHTEN GERMAN IN BERLIN

Allies Agree on Defeat of Nazis First

Japs Second, Quarters In Capital Say

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—A supreme strategy of victory calling for the defeat of Italy and Germany first and Japan second and providing for a general European offensive as soon as possible after conclusion of the African campaign was believed in authoritative quarters today to have been agreed upon by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill.

FIRE MANNEQUIN



Saved in the nick of time was this disjuncted young dandy who was about to melt away in a store window under heat of a fur coat and a fire in Cleveland department store.

City Engineer Leaves Post To Join Marines

Oran J. Payne, since March, 1939, a city employe and since January 8, 1941, water department superintendent and acting engineer, will leave Pampa Friday to report at Oklahoma City for duty in the U. S. marine corps.

General Davies To Speak Here

A private who worked his way up in the army the hard way to attain the rank of brigadier general has been invited to be the principal speaker when graduation of the Aviation cadet class is held soon at the Pampa air base.

Livestock Is Biggest Cash Crop in Texas

AUSTIN, Jan. 27 (AP)—Replacing cotton, livestock and livestock products yielded the biggest farm cash income in Texas last year.

Though still a big factor in agricultural prosperity, cash receipts from cotton and cottonseed declined from 41 per cent of total farm cash income in 1941 to 34 per cent last year.

I HEARD . . .

Sgt. Robert D. Short, army recruiter here, saying he had at least four of his Top O' Texas cadets who were to leave this afternoon for active duty in the army air forces.

Fathers May Be Drafted By October

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—A generally exhilarated capital already is scanning the war-darkened skies today for the first flashes of military lightning generated by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at their spectacular North African conference.

REDS NEAR NAZI STRONG POINTS



Thrusting unchecked all along the Ukraine-Caucasus front, Russian troops were on the outskirts of several Nazi strongholds, fall of which might crum-

Master War Plan Drawn By Leaders

CASABLANCA, French Morocco, Jan. 27 (AP)—A master war plan for 1943 aimed at forcing the unconditional surrender of Germany, Japan and Italy has been mapped in a historic 10-day conference among President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and a score of top-flight military and supply leaders, and today the Allied heads had separated to put their global strategy "into active and concerted execution."

U.S. Bombers Raid Germany First Time

LONDON, Jan. 27 (AP)—United States heavy bombers, Flying Fortresses and Liberators, attacked naval installations in Germany today, it was authoritatively announced.

Capital Gussed Everything Wrong About Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—You can't fool Washington. That's one of the nice things about living here. Everybody knows the inside dope—usually by name.

Two Japs Downed Over Wake Isle

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—American planes flying over Wake Island on a reconnaissance mission were attacked by Japanese planes, the navy reported today, but returned safely to their base.

Just what part of the Reich was hit was not disclosed. A United States headquarters communiqué said: "United States army air force Flying Fortresses (B-17s) and Liberators (B-24s) attacked naval installations in Germany today."

The raid followed overnight forays in which the RAF set fires in the dock area of Lorient, Nazi U-boat base on the coast of France, and bombed the Gironde Estuary port of Bordeaux after a two-night lull in offensives over the continent.

The RAF has been over Germany 13 times this month. The industrial Ruhr valley has been bombed nine times and Berlin twice, on the nights of Jan. 16 and 17.

Farm Groups to Visit Tascosa Boys Ranch

Accompanied by County Judge Sherman White, Glen T. Hackney, county farm agent, and David F. Eaton Jr., assistant agent, Drew Wood, 16-year-old Gray county farm boy, will visit boys ranch at Tascosa Friday.

Boys Head for Texas To Learn Riding

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 27 (AP)—They blamed this one on the gasoline shortage, too.

Senate Group Approves Flynn

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—The senate foreign relations committee approved today President Roosevelt's nomination of Edward J. Flynn, former national Democratic chairman, to be minister to Australia and the president's personal representative in the southwest Pacific.

The vote was 13 to 10. Three Democrats—Senators George (D-Ga.), Van Nuys (D-Ind.), and Gillette (D-Iowa)—joined with the seven Republican members of the committee in voting against confirmation.

Governor Says Texas Has Ample Power

AUSTIN, Jan. 27 (AP)—There's no power shortage in Texas, Gov. Coke Stevenson declared today in reply to statements by federal authorities that the state lacked sufficient current to maintain new war industries.

Quick Thinking Saves \$200 from Robber

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 27 (AP)—Mrs. Karl Nichols sat down with a surprised thump on a stool at the cash register, because the strange blunder:

State Resolution Lauds FDR Parley

AUSTIN, Jan. 27 (AP)—The Texas house of representatives today took cognizance of the Roosevelt-Churchill conference in a two-way resolution.

Tokyo Deprecates African Conference

NEW YORK, Jan. 27 (AP)—The Tokyo radio in a Japanese language broadcast beamed at North America early today gave its version of the conference at Casablanca, stating that President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill held a meeting "from the standpoint of trying somehow to win the favor of public opinion within the nation in both America and Britain."

Moscow Reveals Only 12,000 Nazi Troops Remain in Don Area

President Roosevelt's historic "unconditional surrender" conference with Prime Minister Churchill in North Africa drew nervous jibes from Berlin while stirring great hopes in United Nations capitals today as the two Allied leaders separated to put their strategy "into active and concerted execution."

Nipponese Face Greater Allied Drive In Pacific

Allied warplanes were credited today with inflicting new havoc on Japan's invasion armies in Burma and the South Seas, even as Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia appealed for greater strength in the southwest Pacific "to avenge the men of Cororidor."

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Military secrecy shrouded the exact plans laid down in the dramatic 10-day meeting, but censor-passed dispatches from North Africa left little doubt that European invasion courses had been charted and that field commanders had been decided upon for impending operations.

The German radio, reflecting a whistling-in-the-dark state of jitters, told the German people that "it took 10 days to establish harmony between the Anglo-American government chiefs" and complained bitterly:

"It is Roosevelt's desire to see the European nations bleed to death defending themselves against the Bolshevist hordes."

For the bulk of Adolf Hitler's siege armies before Stalingrad, originally estimated at 220,000 troops, the hours of "defense" were virtually ended.

A victory bulletin from Soviet headquarters declared that only 12,000 Nazi survivors remained in the Don-Volga trap, caught in two tightly-sealed pockets.

Both of these groups are doomed and their liquidation is only a question of two or three days, the Russian command said.

Subsequently, Red army headquarters announced that the entire German 54th regiment (perhaps 1,800 troops) in the trap had surrendered and that detachments of the 165th infantry regiment had been wiped out.

Hitler's headquarters reported "seriously that the great winter battle on the eastern (Soviet) front." See MOSCOW, Page 6

War Fronts Not New To President

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—Franklin D. Roosevelt has come "face to face with war before-in fact he was nearly killed twice during the first World War."

"PDB" made history again when he flew to North Africa to confer on 1943 war plans, and to review American troops. It was the first visit to a battle zone by an American president since the days of Lincoln.

But Mr. Roosevelt visited the European war zones in 1918 as a young assistant secretary of the navy and it was from the personal knowledge gained on that hazardous journey that he based his oft-quoted declaration in later years:

"I have seen war and I hate war." Roosevelt, against enemy crews, in July, 1918, he went to Europe aboard the destroyer Dyer. His first narrow escape from death came when he was about to inspect the U. S. naval hospital base at Ponta Delgada in the Azores. Responding to an "alert" against enemy craft, he and the ship's officers narrowly missed being hit by a four-inch shell fired by an inexperienced gunner on the Dyer in the general direction of the bridge.

His second close call was aboard the British destroyer Obdient, when he was nearly swept overboard in a heavy sea. One man was lost, but the young naval officer later to become the nation's commander-in-chief was saved by an aide, Commander Elliot C. Brown, who anchored him to a stanchion when a wall of water pounced upon them.

SAW

A husky sailor back in Pampa after serving in the battle of the Solomon last November 12, aboard the U. S. S. San Francisco, the sailor who led the attack on the "ship" ship, was Glenn "Hoss" Hoss, who joined the navy nine months ago. He was stationed at a post below the ship's water line when a Jap hit smashed in, and water flooded in. The Pampa man dove and narrowly escaped death when a Jap shell killed five of the shipmates within 15 feet of where Glenn was standing. The San Francisco was crippled in the action but it managed to come back to the city for which it was named on December 12, Glenn in home on leave, will return to his ship soon.

Temperatures In Pampa

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. Rows include 6 p.m. yesterday (43), 9 p.m. yesterday (28), 6 a.m. today (28), 8 a.m. today (29), 10 a.m. today (30), 11 a.m. today (31), 12 noon (32), 1 p.m. today (33), Yesterday's minimum (23), and Yesterday's maximum (44).

For moist, warm, circulated air, see the Estate Hestrolin, Lewis Hardware. Adv.

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# The Social Calendar

**THURSDAY**  
Young Married Women's class of the First Methodist church will have their monthly social at 7:30. All members are invited to be present.  
The Hope Art club will meet with Mrs. Ed. Foran at 1237 Duncan.  
American Auxiliary of University Women will sponsor the "Clare Tree Major" at 2 p. m. in the Junior High school auditorium.  
Bethel lodge will meet at 7:30 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. hall.  
Stanford Women's social club will meet at 2 o'clock in the Stanfield hall.  
Weekly meeting of LaSalle society will be held.  
Sub Deb club will have a weekly meeting.

**SATURDAY**  
Gray County Home Demonstration Council will meet at 2:30 o'clock in the office of Mrs. Julia E. Kelley.

**MONDAY**  
American League auxiliary will meet in the city club rooms in the city hall at 8 p. m.  
American Legion auxiliary will meet at 8 p. m.  
Pythian sisters temple 41 will meet at 7:30 p. m.  
Upsilon chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi society will meet at 7:30 p. m.

**TUESDAY**  
Merion Home Demonstration club will meet at 2 p. m.  
Amen Bridge club will meet.  
Tuesday Bridge will be entertained.  
London Bridge will meet.  
Women's Missionary society of the Nazarene church will meet at 2:30 in the church.  
Business and Professional Women will have an executive board meeting in the city club rooms at 7:30.  
Rainbow girls will meet in the Masonic hall at 7:30.  
Kitt Kat Klub will meet at 8 p. m.  
Women's auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet at 8 p. m.  
E. L. Biscardi will meet with Mrs. G. K. club at 8 p. m.  
Parent Education club will meet with Mrs. Perry Gooch.

**WEDNESDAY**  
Women's Auxiliaries of the St. Matthews Episcopal church will meet at 2:30 in the parish house.  
Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church will meet at 2:30.  
Queen of clubs will be entertained.  
Women's auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will have a general meeting at the church at 2:30.  
Women's Missionary society of the Church of Brethren will meet at 2:30 in the church.  
Women's council will meet in groups.  
Women's Missionary society of the Central Baptist church will meet at 2:30 in the church.  
Women's Missionary society of the First Baptist church will meet at 2:30.

**THURSDAY**  
Prayer meeting will be held with Mrs. A. Lawson at 11:15 E. Browning at 3:00 W. Foster.

**FRIDAY**  
Girl Scout council will meet at 8:30 a. m. at the Girl Scout office in the city hall.  
A tea will be given for the soldiers wives by the W. S. O. at the First Baptist church at 4 o'clock for all unattached men's wives. If you have not received an invitation you are invited to attend if you are interested.

**BUY VICTORY STAMPS**

## Pythian Sisters Hold Installation Service Monday

Officers of the Pythian Sisters Pampa Temple 41 were installed at a meeting in the Castle hall Monday night at 7:30.

Installing officers were Mrs. Roy Coston, grand chief; Mrs. L. J. Zachry, grand senior; and Mrs. Ralph Mangel, grand manager.

Officers installed were Mrs. Roy Dyon, most excellent chief; Mrs. Roy Bernard, excellent senior; Mrs. Roy Smith, excellent junior; Mrs. Harvey Downs, manager; Mrs. C. F. Bastian, protector; and Mrs. Jeff Guthrie, guard.

Members present were Mrs. Roy Dyon, Mrs. Roy Coston, Mrs. Ray Barnard, Mrs. Tony Smith, Mrs. Harvey Downs, Mrs. C. F. Bastian, Mrs. Russell Kennedy, Mrs. Tracy Cary, Mrs. Jeff Guthrie, Mrs. Ralph Mangel, Mrs. Allen Weathered, Mrs. Charles Boyd, and Mrs. L. J. Zachry.



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**THIS** charming boudoir ensemble is made of muslin in a bright, all-over printed design of cherries. Bedsread and dressing table skirts are edged with frilly white organza ruffles, while the seat has a double skirt, the under one being of red and white striped chintz. This picks up the bands of the red and white wrapper, which, under a feeling line with a scalloped fringe bearing a stenciled cherry motif—an interesting way of tying the muslin print in with the paper.

## Twentieth Century Culture Club Has Program On Canada

"Canada—A Mighty Land" was the lesson subject for the members of the Twentieth Century Culture club at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Garnet Reeves Tuesday afternoon.

Following a brief business session, Paul Carmichael showed a moving picture in color of his trips to Yellowstone National park and through the province of British Columbia. He declared that Canadians are very hospitable. Mrs. Jim Collins read a paper prepared by Mrs. Fred Thompson giving a historical sketch of Canada. Mrs. Tom Perkins used a large map in presenting an account of the Canadian provinces.

During the social hour a salad course was served to Mmes. Douglas Carver, J. M. Collins, H. H. Hahn, V. L. Hobbs, Rufe Jordan, Joe Key, Esale Owens, T. A. Perkins, Garnet Reeves, Fred Roberts, Frank Sargent, J. P. Wehring, H. Paul Briggs and Winston Savage.

## Coltuxo H. D. Club Meets to Revise Plans for Year

Coltuxo Home Demonstration club of LeFlore met in the Community hall with Mrs. C. O. Spence, vice president, presiding recently.

Chairman of recreation, finance and detache committees submitted plans for revision and acceptance of the club.

A total of 43 hours of Red Cross work was turned in by the club for January.

Mrs. D. D. Lewis, a new member was welcomed into the club.

Members present were Mmes. B. D. Vaughn, R. C. Welch, H. P. Chitwood, E. E. Miller, J. L. Lockard, Cleo Spence, J. H. Romines, J. E. Willis and L. D. Rider.

## Clare Tree Major Production To Be Shown Thursday

Thursday afternoon in the Junior High school auditorium at 2 p. m. the "Clare Tree Major" production will be given under the sponsorship of the American Association of University Women.

On the exact site of a thriving pine in the pioneer hills of the United States government maintains an Indian training school, marking the climax of a story that began 10 days before the United States existed.

Almost 300 years ago before the first landing of Columbus in Cahida an eighteen year old white girl was reunited with her mother after nine years spent as a prisoner in an Indian camp. This play, "Clare Tree Major of Old Carlisle" tells the whole exciting incident.

Admission will be 25 cents plus three cents for tax.

## Political News Censorship Relaxed

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Jan. 27 (AP)—Lieut. General Dwight D. Eisenhower relaxed censorship of political news from North Africa today.

It was stated officially that heavy political censorship had been needed to date in order that negotiations between the English, French, and the French Expeditionary Force in Africa, General Henri Honore Girard, not be disturbed before they were started.

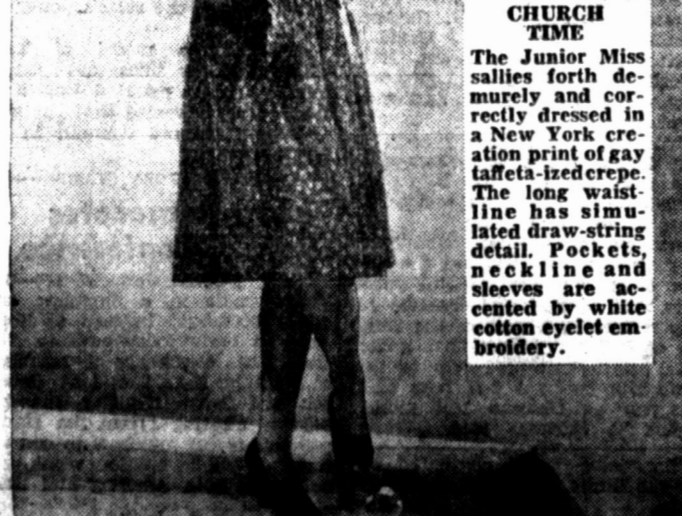
## Pampans' Relative Killed in Action

A telegram was received by relatives here Tuesday from the war department informing them of the death in action of Cpl. Kenneth D. Casity, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Casity of Borger.

Corporal Casity was in the marine corps and was stationed in the Southwest Pacific. He enlisted in July, 1941.

Besides his parents, the corporal is survived by two brothers and one sister, all of Borger, and by four relatives here:

Mrs. R. T. Holler, grandmother; Vermona and Doyle Holler, and Mrs. Walter Doyal, Residences of the grandmother and of the two boys are on Tignor street, Mrs. Doyal's residence is 847 Locust.



**CHURCH TIME**  
The Junior Miss sallies forth demurely and correctly dressed in a New York creation print of gay taffeta-ized crepe. The long waistline has simulated draw-string detail. Pockets, neckline and sleeves are accented by white cotton eyellet embroidery.

## Upsilon Chapter Holds Founder's Day Dinner

Observing Founder's day, members and guests of the Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority were entertained at a Valentine dinner Monday night in the city club rooms.

The buffet dinner was served from a table laid with a red and white cover and lighted with red candles in crystal holders. The Valentine theme was repeated at the individual tables which were centered with candy filled hearts.

Musical recordings were played throughout the evening. After ice cream and cake were served, numerous games were directed by Mrs. Roy Johnson.

Arrangements for the event were made by members of the social committee, Mrs. C. A. Vaughn, Mrs. Johnson, and Miss Helen Houston. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Teed, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Massa, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hinger, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Dennard, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Lawson, and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shellenbarger.

Mrs. Jeff Bearden, Mrs. E. R. Goble of Houston, Mrs. Robert Carter, Mrs. W. G. Gaskins, Mrs. C. W. Henry, Miss Dorothy Jo Taylor, Miss Ernestine Francis, Miss Lorraine Breedlove, Miss Barbara Heimbaugh, Miss Katherine Ward, Miss Johnny Davis, Miss Margaret Stockstill and Miss Margaret Tignor. Ray Robbins and Sgt. John Mahoney.

A regular meeting of the chapter will be held next Monday night at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Kenneth Carman with Mrs. Robert Carter as hostess.

## Mrs. Craig Hostess To Miami W. S. C. S.

MIAMI, Jan. 27—Mrs. Harry Craig was hostess to the members of the W.S.C.S. in her home Wednesday, when the society held a combined business and spiritual cultivation program. Fourteen ladies answered roll call and a short business session was held at which time reports were given.

Mrs. J. K. McKenzie gave the devotional which was based on the Psalm 63 and stressed the importance of meditation, and a round table discussion followed.

During the social hour Mrs. Craig presented an I. Q. quiz.

Mrs. E. M. Balleague will have charge of the program at the church, Wednesday afternoon.

## Mrs. Via Entertains VFW Auxiliary With Covered Dish Supper

Members of the Veteran of Foreign Wars Auxiliary had a covered dish supper Monday night in the home of Mrs. B. S. Via. The evening was spent in playing hearts and bingo.

The auxiliary is to be guests of the air field Wednesday.

Members present were Mrs. Roy Clinton, Mrs. Rudolph Taylor, Mrs. J. E. Kenney, Mrs. W. J. Dewey, Mrs. C. B. Honey, Mrs. Al Lawson, Mrs. Alice Franks, Mrs. Jessye Stroup, Mrs. K. Hulings Johnson, Mrs. H. B. Carson, Mrs. E. J. Spears, Mrs. Jack Stroup, Mrs. Jewel Shackelford, Mrs. H. G. Lawrence, Mrs. Fred Fender, Mrs. L. H. Sullivan, Mrs. A. W. Babione. Prospective members were Mrs. Roy Dawson and Mrs. V. E. Wagner.

## 12-Hour Service

Refreshments were served to Glenn Hackney, Mariola Duvall, Rosemary Primore, Janice Doggett, Joyce Lee Williams, Jeanette Hackney, Bobby Tucker, Betty Dulaney, Patsy Lou Hood, Betty Kerr, Mrs. Tom Duvall, and Mrs. Bob Allford.

The next meeting of the G. A. magazine, was told by Mrs. Tom Duvall.



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## THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

**THE CENTER OF YOUR EYE IS BLIND AT NIGHT! THEREFORE, IN BLACK-OUTS, AVOID LOOKING STRAIGHT AT OBJECTS YOU WISH TO SEE! LOOK A LITTLE TO THE RIGHT OR LEFT.**

**WHY'S ELMER?**

ANSWER: Isle of Man, in the Irish Sea.

**CUCUMBERS ARE COOL!**

A SURGICAL NURSE, GENEVIEVE ALBERS, TOOK THE TEMPERATURE OF CUCUMBER AND FOUND THAT ITS INSIDES WERE 20 DEGREES COOLER THAN THE AIR OUTSIDE.

## Eller Rites Held At Canadian Church

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS. CANADIAN, Jan. 27—Funeral services were held from the Methodist church here Monday afternoon for John David Eller, 75, who died, following a lingering illness, at his home here Saturday.

Mr. Eller was born in Kerrville, March 27, 1867. He came with his parents to Hemphill county in 1886, and settled what has since been known as "Eller Flats."

The deceased was married to Miss Drucilla Guthrie June 17, 1899. They moved to Canadian in 1903 which is still the family home.

Mr. Eller is survived by his widow and four of their five children, five grandchildren, and one great grandchild. The daughter, Mrs. Mary McDonald, of Higgins, Curtis Eller, of Clovis, N. M., Harvey Eller, Canadian, and Marion Eller with the U. S. armed forces somewhere in the Pacific. All were here except the soldier son.

Rev. Willett, pastor of the Methodist church read the 90th Psalm and portions of the 14th chapter of St. John. Mrs. Charles Teas at the piano and a choir of eight voices sang three hymns.

Funeral arrangements in charge of the Pampa mortuary. Interment in Canadian cemetery.

## NON-WAR SPENDING DROPS

The nation's all-out war effort has grown to such an extent that 1943 non-war expenditures will be \$2,000,000,000 less than in 1939, and nearly \$460,000,000 less than in 1942.

## Jews in Tripoli Weep, Cheer As British Capture Italian City

By DON WHITEHEAD and GEORGE TUCKER

TRIPOLI, Jan. 23 (Delayed AP)—Seeing people liberated from virtual slavery and watching their emotional impressions we have of the occupation of Tripoli.

Only a few hours ago British troops and advance units of the Royal air force rolled into this city and the official surrender to general Sir Bernard L. Montgomery wrote the last chapter in the fall of Mussolini's African empire.

Touring the city, we visited Tripoli's ancient Ghetto where some 15,000 Jews were crowded into a labyrinth of houses and cellars resembling a rat's warren.

We walked through an arched gate guarded by military police and as soon as the people recognized us as Americans the emotional outburst was almost riotous.

Some threw themselves at our feet, offering gifts of not only wine and tobacco but money as well.

Men kissed our cheeks. Women kissed our lips. Children came to our legs and begged for candy shoes.

They showed us photographs of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill with cries: "Viva America! Viva Inglis!"

A busy young fellow suddenly took us through the crowds into a courtyard under a flight of dark steps from a room where a white-robed cleric sat at a bare table.

The cleric told us that a few hours before the troops entered the city the leading Jewish merchants had been dragged from their shops and shot, but they expressed no surprise at this because, they said, it was the kind of thing that had been going on since the days when this city was the seat of Mediterranean piracy.

The Berlin radio broadcast a Paris dispatch today reporting that a purge of state and municipal services was under way in France to assure that all persons taking part in the administration of the Vichy government's policies.

The broadcast, recorded by the Associated Press, said that since France's armistice some 2,000 municipal councils had been dissolved and more than 800 mayors removed by government order.

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## Hopkins P-TA Study Group Begins Series Of Meetings Friday

Emphasizing the theme, "America Fights In," the Hopkins Parent-Teacher study group will begin a series of meetings Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the fourth grade room at the school.

Miss Ruby Johnson, first grade teacher, will use the first grade students in demonstrations where they hand numbers and several stories will be dramatized by the students.

Not only study group members but every parent is urged to attend.

## USO to Entertain Soldiers' Wives

Soldiers wives will be entertained by the USO, Thursday evening at 7:45 at the USO headquarters at 304 W. Foster. Invitations have been sent to all wives whose whereabouts were known but any wife who did not receive an invitation is invited to attend.

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During the present year, 1943, even more war calls must be handled. They must and shall get through. But your help will be needed... every day and every evening... in making...

Fewer and briefer telephone calls, please, and...

Only vital long distance calls to busy war centers.

Again... thank you!





SERIAL STORY 'I AM A MURDERER'

BY MORRIS MARKEY

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PRELUDE TO TRAGEDY CHAPTER XXI

THUS you have been a witness, good people one and all, to the accomplishment of my life's purpose. You have seen the manner of it. Perhaps you would care to hear the method of it. Perhaps, too, to understand the reasons for its undertaking.

It follows, then, that you must listen yet awhile:

And go to a day not long after the ending of the First World War—to a snug cabin in the soaring forests of the Cascade Mountains in the State of Washington. It was a beautiful cabin, set beside a rushing river. And there were five people living in it. One of these was John Frye. Three others were John Frye's wife, and his growing boy, and his infant daughter. The fifth and last was Norman Tinker. John Frye and Norman Tinker were equal partners in a lustrous enterprise.

Norman Tinker was the man whom you have met in my writing, and seen die therein, under the name of Wesley Hope Merritt—called Colonel.

John Frye and Norman Tinker were different sorts of men, altogether. Their partnership had come about in a manner which was, at least to John Frye, surprising.

Frye had come back from the wars in France to his wife and his son and his very new daughter, and he had brought with him certain disabilities of the body which would not be helped by the resumption of his job in the analytical laboratories of a Northern smelting company. His doctors told him to look out of doors for health and a long life. People told him—one man here and another there—that Norman Tinker was the fellow for him to see.

Tinker was a college man like himself, he said, but with a crazy passion for prospecting in new fields—gold, silver, platinum, anything. He had found some success, here and there, too. At least he was not working on a shooting. He was the very man for John Frye to look up.

So John Frye did look him up, and found him in Chicago:

found a keen-eyed, quiet-voiced man somewhat older than himself, a man who was cool, and distant, and a little difficult to know. Their first talk together was not greatly productive. Norman Tinker said that he had no new projects at the moment. He might, if he found one, find it useful to engage assistance. And in the meantime he would examine John Frye's record and attainments, in his own way, and privately.

Within a month, John Frye was summoned to another meeting. Norman Tinker wasted neither time nor words arriving at the point:

"I have learned—it doesn't matter how—of certain lands in the State of Washington which may yield valuable deposits. I have convinced myself that you can be of help to me. But it is necessary for me to conduct my examinations with the greatest possible discretion. Again, the reason does not matter. And so I make you a proposal:

"You and I will go to this country. I speak of, and explore its possibilities. And you will be written in for one-third of anything we may find."

Which was a generous thing to do, indeed. John Frye was immensely pleased. He was not a man of force and he had never been seasoned to many of the stern realities. Life had accommodated him to a philosophy of acquiescence, and to a slight shock of surprise when any fortune fell his way. If Norman Tinker had offered him a decent weekly wage, he would have been satisfied. How wonderful to become a partner!

It would not, perhaps, be exaggeration to say that John Frye was a weak man. Not morally, of course, but temperamentally. He was easily led by stronger men. But, like all people who are called weak, he had a perverse slyness of going on the expedition unless he could take his family with him. This was not in Norman Tinker's book, and he scoffed at the notion. It was absurd, and furthermore it was dangerous, he said. John Frye said, in reply, that his wife and children were absolutely necessary to him after his year in the wars.

So the strong man and the stubborn man wrestled the matter, and the strong man surrendered because he, also possessed of stubbornness though of a different weave, was determined that John Frye was his man.

I REMEMBER that cabin as if a precisely detailed painting of it were upon the wall before my eyes at this moment. It was like paradise. The Douglas firs that reached their magnificent spires toward the sky, the swift cold water, the beasts that came down to stare at us, the trout and the salmon that smelled so fine against the smell of coffee in the evening.

And I remember as vividly that night John Frye came in, very tired, with a sack full of new samples. They were, he said, from a rather curious outcropping in the next valley. He and Norman Tinker went to the workbench which they had built in the end of the room, and got down vessels and tools and bottled chemicals, while at the other end of the same room Martha Frye hummed to her baby girl and the hissing of the frying pan was loud in the air.

The next thing, two men were staring at each other and saying, "Good Lord, man—that can't be true!"

The new and curious outcropping which John Frye had found was a thing of inestimable worth. Early next morning the two men were gone, and they came back changed altogether from the two men of yesterday. For they were rich indeed, and the excitement of that knowledge was a grave thing to bear lightly.

Martha Frye joined eagerly in their excitement, opening a bottle of red wine which she had saved against an illness and sharing the toasts to fortune which were lifted in loud voices. Even the boy—which boy was I—caught more than a touch of the fever and grew red with avarice, with the sudden, fabulous assurance that here were white ponies hitched to basket carts, and soda pop beyond all dreaming, and buckets of candy, and a tolerant generosity toward the lesser men of the school back home.

It was a night of hurly-burly, with the lad trying to understand when these mysterious creatures, the grown-ups, urged each other to be calm—urged that there might yet be a flaw in the great discovery.

There was no flaw. The next day's explorations, and the next day's, fortified every hope.

(To Be Continued)

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE UNDER EXECUTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GRAY By virtue of an execution issued out of the 84th Judicial District Court of Hutchinson County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said cause on the 25th day of March, 1942, in favor of Clem Hinds and against E. R. Biggs, in the case of E. R. Biggs, vs. Clem Hinds et al, No. 3846 upon the docket of said court, I did on the 25th day of January, 1943, at 2:30 o'clock P. M. levy upon the following described tracts of land situated in the County of Gray, State of Texas, as the property of E. R. Biggs, to-wit:

An undivided one eighth (1/8) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals located under the One Hundred Sixty Acres (160) known and described as the Southeast One Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Number Three (3), in Block Number Twenty Six (26) H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Survey, State of Texas, and commonly known and described as Morse "A" Lease, located approximately 8 miles South, and 19 miles East of the City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas; and

An undivided one eighth (1/8) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals located under the eighty acres (80) known and described as the North One Half (N 1/2) of the Northeast One Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section One Hundred Seventy Six (176) Block B-2 H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Survey, situated in Gray County, State of Texas, and commonly known and described as the Gething "A" lease, located approximately 7 miles South of, and 17 miles East of the City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas; and

An undivided one eighth (1/8) interest in and to all of the oil, gas and other minerals located under the 320 acres of land, known and described as the East One Half (E 1/2) of Section One Hundred Seventy Six (176) Block B-2 H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Survey, situated in Gray County, State of Texas, and located approximately 9 miles South, and two miles West of the City of Pampa, Gray County, Texas;

and on the 2nd day of March, 1943, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., I will offer for sale, and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said E. R. Biggs in and to said property. Dated at Pampa, Texas, on this 25th day of January, A. D. 1943. G. H. KYLE, Sheriff, Gray County, Texas, by H. C. COTTRELL, Deputy.

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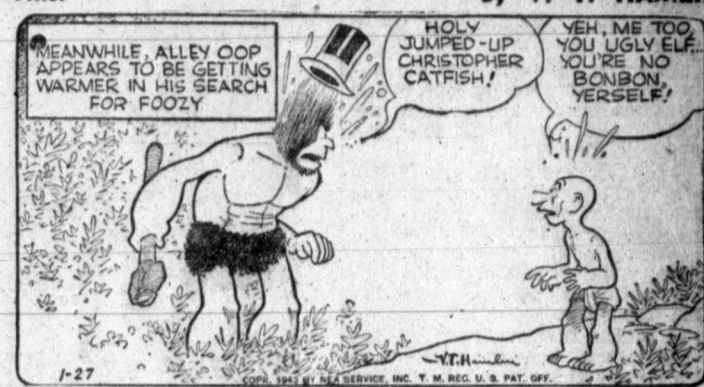


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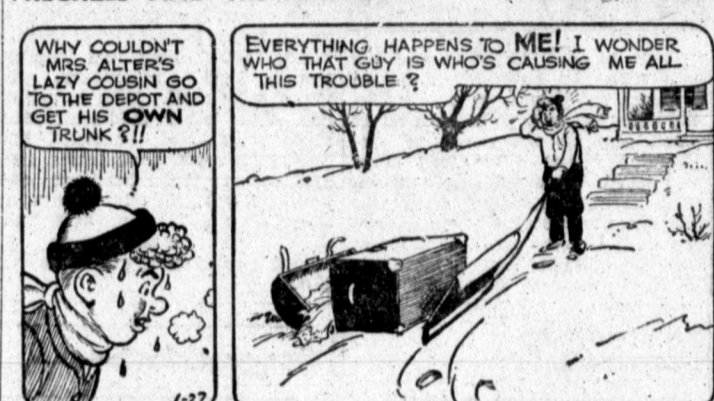
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- 8:30-Save a Nickel Club. 8:50-Little Snow. 9:00-Treasury Star Parade. 9:15-Trading Post. 9:30-Marching with Music. 9:45-News with Harry Wahlberg. 10:00-10-24 Ranch. 10:15-Our Town Forum. 10:30-Sports Review. 10:45-Salon Music. 11:00-Singing Cow Girl. 7:00-Goodnight.

THURSDAY

- 7:30-Sagebrush Trails. 8:00-What's Behind the News with Tex DeWeese. 8:05-Musical Revue. 8:30-Early Morning Club. 9:00-Treasury Star Parade. 9:15-What's Happening around Pampa Ruby Cook. 9:30-Let's Dance. 9:45-News with Harry Wahlberg. 10:00-Woman's Page of the Air with Betty Dunbar. 10:15-Morning Melodies. 10:30-Trading Post. 10:45-The Burger Hour. 10:45-News with Tex DeWeese. 11:00-The Burger Hour. 11:15-World of Song. 11:30-Milady's Melody. 11:45-Whisper School of the Air. 12:00-Roy Bloch and His Swing 14. 12:15-Luna and Abner. 12:30-News with Tex DeWeese. 12:45-Shoulder to Shoulder. 1:00-Music Just For You. 1:30-What Do You Know. 1:45-Meet the Stars. 2:00-Moments with Great Composers. 2:15-Concert Minutiae. 2:30-All Star Dance Parade. 2:45-Club Florida. 3:15-Portia Faces Life. 3:30-Save a Nickel Club. 3:00-Organ Revue. 5:15-Treasury Star Parade. 5:30-Trading Post. 5:45-Marching with Music. 5:45-News with Harry Wahlberg. 6:00-Francis Ave. Church of Christ. 6:15-Our Town Forum. 6:30-Sports Review. 6:45-Home From Summary. 6:45-Luna and Abner. 7:00-Goodnight.

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Historic Oven Demolished

A brick oven that had been in practically constant use ever since it was built by monks more than 500 years ago in King's Lynn, England, has been demolished as part of a road-widening plan.

HOLD EVERYTHING



Pampa News Want Ads Get Results

# Sharecropper into Land-Owner

## Alabaman Pays off FSA Loan From Proceeds of His Farm After Four Years' Hard Work

By NEA Service

ATHENS, Ala., Jan. 27.—The transition of Curtis Haraway, sharecropper, into Curtis Haraway, landowner, is complete. It was then that Senator John B. Bankhead presented the 32-year-old Haraway with the mortgage and note on his 117-acre farm the other day and said:

"You have demonstrated to all worthy farmers, including sharecroppers and tenants, that the way lies ahead of them to stop roving over the country and to plant the taproots of family life deep and firmly in the soil. Plain farmers and sharecroppers—many of them Farm Security Administration Tenant Purchase borrowers—witnessed the presentation ceremony in the courtroom here. FOUR YEARS, NOT FORTY. Haraway was the first of the 29,000 Tenant Purchase borrowers in the United States to pay off his loan entirely from the proceeds of his farm. Although he had 40 years in which to repay the \$3,650 he was loaned to buy the property, it took him but four years.

They were four years of hard work for him and his wife, who have no children, but an early admittance to the yearly migration of the sharecropper provided them with the will to step out of that class. Seven years ago Haraway was at his wits' end—with foreclosure on his two mules, his only tangible assets, facing him. He had enrolled in the FSA rehabilitation program, borrowing a little more than \$300 to pay his debts and buy fertilizer and seed for the coming planting season.

In the next three years Haraway met his debts promptly, received the loan to purchase a farm, and in December, 1938, moved into his new home. But bad fortune still hadn't left the lean young farmer alone. His crop, in the first year of farming for himself, was only half the size he had expected it to be—and he was almost ready to quit. But the FSA variable payment plan,

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### SPY SHIP

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### POOR POSTURE

A DANGER SIGNAL



Above, Goldyn Haraway works on some of the hundreds of quarts of vegetables, fruits and meats she cans every year with the advice of FSA supervisors. At left, Curtis Haraway is pictured with a pair of his pure-bred sows.

which permits the tenant borrower to pay on his ability to earn, saved him. In 1940 the Haraways borrowed \$360 to buy additional farm equipment, knowing that the proper implements can mean the difference between a good crop and a bad one. By the end of 1941 they had, with the sale of livestock and a large yield from corn, cotton and grains, paid all their obligations.

### Flashes Of Life

By The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS—The city's conscience fund has been enriched by \$3 by an anonymous contributor from Cincinnati but the fellow still owes \$4. In a typewritten note the conscience-stricken person wrote: "While attending school in your city I removed one of your metal stop signs and carried it to my room in a fraternity house. At the time I thought it was funny, but of course, it was vandalism—stealing. I hope the money I am enclosing will cover the cost to the city."

Arthur C. Meyers, director of streets and sewers, said the cost was \$7.

SALISBURY, N. C.—Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Hearne Swink are doing nicely, thank you—but the parents are keeping their fingers crossed.

Hearne, Jr., 14, fell off his new motor bike and broke his ankle. Several days later he developed abdominal pains, an appendix operation was found necessary.

Then, while he was recuperating, his sister, Eleanor, 11, developed appendicitis and underwent an operation.

And now Sabra, 9, has joined the others—also with an appendectomy.

NEW YORK—Ration note: The board of education has announced it will start adult education classes in a new subject entitled "How to heat your home during the fuel shortage."

BOUNTFUL, Utah—Virgil Sparks, 26, former welterweight boxer, can handle a baby on each knee now.

Sparks' daughter, Mrs. Norman Layton, 18, gave him a grand-daughter three weeks after Mrs. Sparks bore him a son.

KANSAS CITY—The problem of a bread knife doesn't worry Mrs. David Drummond anymore. She found a small hand saw in her basement. It works—that's all you can say.

BUY VICTORY STAMPS—Freezing causes water pipes to burst due to the expansion of the ice as it changes to ice.

Aside from the fact that he flew across the Atlantic, details of the President's trip still have not been disclosed. Churchill arrived first. When the President landed he dispatched Harry Hopkins, chairman of the British-American munitions assignment board, to Churchill's villa, and the Prime Minister returned with him to begin the talks.

The first one began at 7 p. m. the night of Jan. 14 and lasted until 3 a. m. the next day. Military bigwigs participated, as did the field commanders of both nations charged with smashing the Axis-held strip of Tunisia preparatory to opening a possible second front on the underside of Europe.

The only woman present was WAAAC Capt. Louise Anderson of Denver, a stenographer from Lieut. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters.

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# Mainly About Pampa And Her Neighbor Towns

Two Pampans were among graduates of the air forces officers candidates school recently at Miami Beach, Fla. They were T/Sgt. Clark A. Weaver, 1422 N. Russell; and Cpl. James R. Brown, whose wife, Mrs. Alta Brown, resides at 401 N. Russell. Both men received commissions as second lieutenants at the army air forces technical training command.

WANTED—Experienced hory shop man at Pursley Motor Co. MIAMI—Wallace L. L. and Billy Joe Tolbert are home from Texas A. and M.

Mrs. E. H. Nichols wife of the pastor of the First Baptist church of Skellytown was surprised with a birthday remembrance by 4 teachers and officers of the church at a teacher and officer banquet Monday night.

Instructor Zade Watkins from Amarillo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Watkins over the week-end. Elmer M. Irving, aviation cadet, left today for training at Lubbock. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Irving 612 S. Cuyler. Mr. Irving has taken Civilian Pilot training and now holds a private license.

Mrs. Joe Mullins has returned home from Mission where she visited and attended the graduation exercises of her son, Scott W. Mullins, at Moore Field. Scott received his silver wings and commission as second lieutenant and has been assigned to the ferry pilot division and now stationed at Love Field at Dallas. Mrs. Mullins on her return stopped at San Antonio where she visited her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Crader who accompanied her to the graduation exercises, and her daughter-in-law Mrs. Jack P. Mullins.

MIAMI—Boyd Scott, a radio technician in the U. S. navy, is at home for a few days furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Scott.

MIAMI—Gifford Corse is home from the aviation school at Lubbock for a few days visit.

MIAMI—Clint Strubling is home for a few days from an airplane factory in California.

MIAMI—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morris are the parents of a son, Thursday, born in a Pampa hospital.

MIAMI—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Spencer, teachers in the Miami school, are occupying the Lee Newman house in Miami.

MIAMI—Mrs. Lee Stanford is doing substitute teaching for Mrs. J. L. Schneider, who was called to Wisconsin on account of the illness of her parents.

MIAMI—Charles Eldon McKenzie, student in the Medical school at Galveston, has received a commission of second lieutenant in the medical administration army corps, reserve.

MIAMI—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Seitz are the parents of a son, born in a Pampa hospital last week.

MIAMI—Mrs. Harvey Landrum arrived home Monday from Missouri where she has been located several months with her husband, Pvt. Harvey Landrum.

CANADIAN—Members of WMU of the Baptist church are renovating the parsonage, making new curtains, in preparation for the new pastor, Rev. Fern Miller, and family who are expected next week.

CANADIAN—Rev. W. C. House, superintendent of the Amarillo district, North Texas conference, Methodist church, will hold quarterly conference in the Canadian Methodist church early in February.

CANADIAN—The Twentieth Century Literary club has suspended meetings for the duration of the writing headquarters of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs they were informed that they, with several other clubs throughout the state, will be permitted to maintain affiliation with the federation by keeping up their dues. Members are the younger married women, many of whom are filling positions, their husbands in army or defense projects, felt they could not maintain their literary meetings until the close of the war.

Advertisement.

### 355 Men Decorated In South Pacific

By OLEN W. CLEMENTS

AN ADVANCED BASE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, Jan. 5 (AP)—(Delayed)—Three hundred and fifty-five officers and men in the heavy bombardment groups of the South Pacific were decorated today by Maj. Gen. Millard F. Harmon in a jungle ceremony—the biggest even of its type of the Pacific war in this area.

Decorations ranged from Distinguished Flying Crosses to the air medal to the men who have been fighting Japanese in the air since early August.

Brig. Gen. Lavern G. (Blondy) Saunders, Aberdeen, S. D., was given the DFC for saving the crew of a Flying Fortress after the pilot and co-pilot had been killed.

Others who received the DFC included Maj. Karl T. Barthelme, San Antonio, Tex.; Capt. John J. Thumhill, San Antonio, Tex.; Capt. S. B. White, Oklahoma City.

### Retail Food Price Margins Planned

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (AP)—A. C. Hoffman, director of OPA's food products division, announced today that price margin controls would go into effect shortly over all foods sold at retail.

These controls, he explained to a conference of the National American Wholesale Grocers association, would fix the margin of increase permitted distributors above the dollars and cents ceilings of the professors.



Free ballooning, one of earliest forms of aerial adventure, is being used by Navy at Moffett Field, Calif., to teach future blimp pilots the fundamentals of lighter-than-air craft operations. Here a group of cadets watches a balloon takeoff as blimp passes by.

# Johnny Doughboy Will Enrich Our Language

EVANSTON, Ill., Jan. 27 (AP)—When Johnny Doughboy comes marching home from war from the far corners of the world he'll bring, among other things, many new words and phrases which will enrich the English language, in the opinion of Prof. Walker K. Smart of Northwestern university.

"Contacts with other races and other peoples invariably bring in additions to the language," said Smart, professor of the Medill school of journalism.

"Already, he said, the war has produced a number of words and phrases that seem destined to attain a lasting place in the language. He referred specifically to 'quising' when used to designate a person who betrays his own people. It derives from Vikking Quising of Norway who supported the Nazi invasion.

Other words which have sprung from the war or related activities, he said, were "commande," "blitz," "fift column," "fox hole," "jeep," "ersatz," "apartheid," "Greenland," "blackout," "paratroops," and "ceiling"—the latter acquiring a new meaning when referring to "top limit."

BUY VICTORY STAMPS—First dental college in the United States was organized at Baltimore, Md., in 1839.

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# Rise In Fuel Oil Prices Is Authorized

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—Increases in price ceilings generally ranging from five to eight per cent were authorized today by the office of price administration for industrial fuel oils refined in parts of Kansas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

OPA said the new price schedule was worked out in conjunction with the office of petroleum administration in an effort to make more industrial fuel oil available in the area by encouraging the blending of low gravity and cheaper residual oils with heavier gravity, more costly distillate fuels.

The following is the new maximum price schedule in dollars per 42-gallon barrel:

Gravity range Area A	Area B	Area C
9 and below	0.85	0.80
10.0-12.9	0.80	0.85
13.0-16.9	1.02	0.97
17.0-20.9	1.14	1.09
21.0-24.9	1.26	1.21
25.0 and above	1.32	1.27

Area A was defined as including Kansas, exclusive refineries located within 25 miles of Kansas City, Mo.; Area B, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana (exclusive of Gulf Coast and Mississippi river ports) and including Baton Rouge, and Texas (excluding Gulf ports and the Panhandle north of the southern boundaries of Palmer, Castro, Swisher, Brisco, Hall, and Childress counties); Area C, New Mexico, and the Texas Panhandle north of the southern boundaries of the counties named above.

### More Will Be Told About African Trip

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (AP)—Presidential Secretary Stephen Early said today the story of President Roosevelt's trip to North Africa would have "subsequent chapters."

"So far as it can be told at the present time," he informed reporters, "the story is complete. Subsequent chapters undoubtedly will be written as events unfold."

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BOND SLOGAN
If we pay our debts and pay our taxes,
Then buy bonds to lick the Axis.
We'll show them what we can do,
So buy War Bonds and see it through.
Donald Humphreys

CALISTHENICS AGAIN
When sunny days come round again, why not have another calisthenics drill? Some rooms enjoyed this exercise so much, they have continued having them inside upon their own accord.

GET YOURSELF READY
Had you ever thought? This war will end someday. Think again. You are going to be grown and with so many men among the lost, your place in this world may be more important than fate had at first ordered.

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WORK AHEAD-AND MONEY
Prospects for money in your pocket brings alertness to all boys and girls. That is the situation for the coming summer.
Pampa will be calling workers when wheat harvest comes around this year.

TELEPHONING TOO OFTEN
Are you one of the telephone bugs? I mean a drip that usually disturbs the peace and quiet of the Junior High office that usually hums like Grand Central station just before bus time anyway.

Glen Crouse Of Navy Tells Many Experiences In South Pacific War

Glen Crouse of the U. S. S. San Francisco is in town and visiting at Junior High the past few days on a furlough from an active life in the South Pacific.
Upon his seventeenth birthday, Glen joined the Navy last spring and after five weeks of boot camp at San Diego was placed on the cruiser which saw the first sea battle when ships attacked ships off Guadalcanal in October.

City Basketball Tournament To Be Big Spring Sports Event

Junior High athletics have gone through a change this year. No more conference games with neighboring cities! Instead a city tournament will be sponsored by the Student Council.
To begin with Junior Council voted to allow equipment for the Air Base boys to the amount of \$75. Then the tournament returns will be turned back to the Junior High treasury into the War Effort fund.

CHAFF
Everybody laughed when Miss Line asked if some of the girls in the front during second hour class would volunteer to change seats with boys in the back and Don Morrison raised his hand.

Sports Static
By Hatcher and Beard
Most of the boys mentioned getting stiff with only one practice after school last week. The boys from the upper grades have the opportunity for practicing basketball three times a week.

Men In Service
Robert Dale Smith enlisted in the Coast Artillery in June 1942. He went to Fort Sill and finally to California where he spent two months. Electrical school in Chicago came next and next to Camp Davis, N. C. where he is stationed now.

Blue And White
Room 204 elected Officers Friday at homeroom hour with the following leaders: Eugene Imel, president; Charles Thornborough, vice president; Margery Dixon, secretary; Mary Jean Hooyer and Mardell Hawkins, alternates.

Moods and Tenses
I'd like to be a could be
If I could not be an are.
For a could be is a maybe
With a chance of touching par.
I'd rather be a hasbeen
Than a might have been by far.

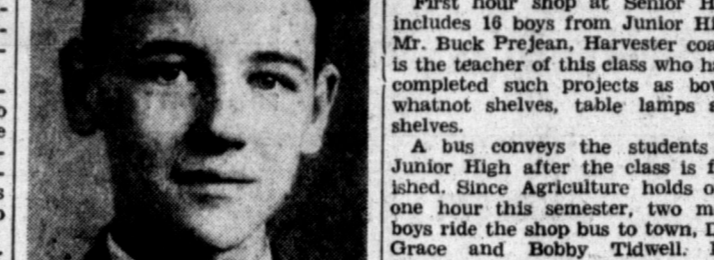
HOW THEY KEEP TRACK OF US
Somebody has too keep up with attendance in all schools, workshops, and anywhere attendance is counted.
In Junior High Mr. J. H. Jones keeps the records in the school office and Mrs. Lillian Blythe investigates unexcused absences.

When This War Is Over
When this war is over
And Japan is beaten down,
Things may be somewhat quieter
In our old home town.

Privileged Travelers
Some friends of ours
Went south for the winter,
For a carefree happy visit.
Laughing at rules and restrictions,
At crowded conditions of trains and buses.

Courtesy Card is First Step For Victory Corps

FINAL PLANS SHOW VICTORY CORPS TO MAKE WELL-ROUNDED STUDENT
Few Developments, Athletics, Conduct Patriotic Duties Counted For Ratings



16 Junior High Boys Take Shop At Senior High

Pat King
First hour shop at Senior High includes 16 boys from Junior High. Mr. Buck Frejahn, Harvester coach, is the teacher of this class who have completed such projects as bowls, whatnot shelves, table lamps and shelves.

Watch For Comedy 'Atta Boy Wall'

Mrs. Rex Rose presents 'Atta Boy Wall' on the nights of Feb. 11 and 12 with a cast of mostly ninth grade students with a script which majors in the comic.

Victory Concert Offers Program Combined Bands

Coming instrumentation, the Junior High and Senior High school bands will present a third in a series of 'Victory' concerts. Only upper grade students will play from the Junior High group.

Smaller Clinic Meets In Canyon For 1943 Meet

According to the sponsor of Panhandle High School Press Association, Mr. Olin E. Hinkle, plans are going through for a limited press conference February 6 in Canyon at West Texas State.

When This War Is Over

When this war is over
And Japan is beaten down,
Things may be somewhat quieter
In our old home town.

Mannequins & Models

Beads made a big play for Christmas presents this year. Colors range from bright red to black, long strands of pearls to bright blues.

More Than 100 Books To Be Read

'Books are Friends, come let us read!'
New books for this month include these volumes: Shattuck Cadet, B. J. Chute; Skyways, Charles Hall; Vanished Island, Cornelia Meigs; High Courage, C. W. Anderson; Little White-

Final Plans Show Victory Corps To Make Well-Rounded Student

In the weekly faculty meeting, Mr. Winston Savage, principal, presented the final details for the Victory Corps which begins this week for Junior High students.
'The first step for a boy or girl to take is requirement of the courtesy card,' said Mr. Savage. 'Last semester's grades are behind us,' he further stated.

Kernels (Eighth Grade)

In a Truth or Consequences program in Room 217, Hershall Hardy had to tell Mr. Savage as he cried, 'I've lost my rubber dollie!'
Others who did their prescribed tasks were these: Kenneth Clements and Wilma Jean Potts; Anita Lane; Laurence Flowers and Leon Simpkins; Richard Gee and Nadine Mauldin.

My Street

When I look out my front window through the curtains white and neat,
I see the neighborhood children playing in the trees across the street.

KORN KOLUMN

Just 340 more shopping days until Christmas. The weather is just right, just the wrong month.
The boys from 'Troop 80' had their booth on the landing of the west wing seemed perfectly willing to enlist girls during recruiting week.

Ninth Grade Grazings

Mr. Gallman (speaking to his fifth period math class): I looked at papers with so many mistakes on them, I'd just put them away and cry awhile. Then I'd drink some buttah-milk.

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Today we work in WAR plants, not defense plants. Today we fight an OFFENSIVE—not a defensive war, and we are on our guard: for those who fight, for those who work; for our industrial, Commander in Chief! A wartime president's task is the most difficult to him in the darkest hours. He must hear criticism and make no reason for something done or undone—of which they disapprove. The President: for him, so many queries, so much criticism has glorified a few months have served to more strongly than ever united the people. President: for him, so many queries, so much criticism has glorified a day, as the big guns of the United Nations boom around the world, salute our President's ears might wish to hear; they sound out their share joyously with the Commander in Chief by whose side we all

On January 30th, 1943, President Roosevelt will observe his 61st birthday. He is dedicated to support of the Warm Spings Foundation; where those who are blind find new hope, new strength, and often complete cure. They will be—and in our own community—to do honor to our President by their support of the Foundation. The fact that all the world is at war to make liberty secure of the capacity to invigorate that freedom, and perpetuate its strength. Plan to attend a Birthday Ball—enlist in the march of our President and for the sake of our youth!



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ll observe his 61st birthday. As always his birth date is dation; were those crippled by infantile paralysis may find are. They will be Birthday Ball celebrations all over the land our President by providing for the continued functioning of the war to make liberly sound and secure can only emphasize enjoy the freedom for which we fight, must too be sound and and perpetuate it, through his or her own understanding and in the search of Dimes—as your personal greeting to our

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Ration Book No. 2

Point rationing is scheduled to be inaugurated soon, after the present ration book has been replaced by a more comprehensive, more flexible substitute.

The new No. 2 book may appear complicated at first and its use with a point system undoubtedly will lead to temporary misunderstandings and irritations.

Therefore it is important that we approach the revised rationing setup with comprehension and tolerance, recognizing that the scheme takes full advantage of mistakes made by other nations who were forced to precede us in broad-scale rationing.

Much of the apparent complexity really is on the surface. After the first week or two of use there should be nothing left to gripe about except the shortages themselves, and neither the OPA nor your storekeepers created those. Blame a paperhanger named Hitler, a stuffed shirt named Mussolini, a phony god named Hirohito.

The expression "point system" means just this: There are a great many foodstuffs which are interchangeable. For instance, it is a matter of taste and convenience whether you have corn, peas, string-beans, spinach, beets, or some other vegetable.

Thus the OPA will be enabled to conserve the scarcer items to concentrate attention on the more plentiful, without frequently changing the value of the overall ration ticket — as has been necessary with gasoline, for which there is no substitute.

Meanwhile the housewife is free to exercise her choice. Unlike the British woman, she can trade wherever she wishes. She is reasonably certain that, month after month, she can obtain all the fruits and vegetables she really needs.

The system is not perfect, the OPA admits. But experience in other countries, with refinements that will suggest themselves to every consumer, has involved an amount of red tape that the American people never would stand.

Let's give point rationing a fair try before we get excited about the irritations that will crop up.

BUY VICTORY BONDS THE "ELEVENTH COMMANDMENT" (L. A. Examiner—By Benjamin de Casseres)

After all, the greatest creation of the American people is the "eleventh commandment," which is "mind your own business."

The reactionary New Deal has been trying to change our national motto to "your business is the Government's business."

There is only one domestic war issue today, so fact, it is, should the individual be permitted after the war to mind his own business and conduct it as he sees fit, or shall he allow a vast pack of bureaucratic commissioners in Washington and in the state capitals to mind it and conduct it for him?

THE WISH FOR PEACE (The Chicago Tribune)

Mr. Roosevelt's statement on New Year's day raises some questions but answers none. When we have crushed our enemies, he said, we must organize relations among nations to prevent the forces of barbarism from breaking loose again.

Mr. Roosevelt neglected only to describe the means by which these results are to be attained. To hear him tell it, you might suppose that ours is the first generation in human history that has desired peace and happiness and that the means of gaining these ends are so obvious to everybody that there is no need to state them.

Both propositions are false. Peace has been dear to the hearts of men for thousands of years and has always been particularly dear in the midst of wars. The difficulty has always been to translate the desire into actuality, once the shooting stopped.

The fact that mankind has consistently failed to obviate wars does not prove that the task is insurmountable but does prove that mere wishing isn't enough. Obviously if we are to succeed where so many generations composed of men just as wise and just as good as we are have failed, it must be by harder and clearer thinking than they were able to bear on the problem.

To judge from Mr. Roosevelt's statement, he isn't thinking at all. He is just wishing and that goes equally for his Vice President. Europe is the focus of our wars and the problem within Europe is one of rival-national ambitions. The primary question is how to subdivide and govern Europe in a fashion that will permit Germans, Frenchmen, Englishmen, Poles, Czechs, Italians, and the rest of them to live together, if not in amity, then at least without war.

Maybe we can solve this fundamental difficulty for Europe but the overwhelming probability is that the Europeans themselves must solve it. There is as yet very little evidence to suggest that any of them, much less all of them, is any nearer a solution than before this war, the last war, or the 10th war before that, and nothing that Mr. Roosevelt said on New Year's day could have contributed to the solution.

Common Ground

"I speak the past-tense primer, I give the sign of democracy, by God! I will assert nothing which I cannot have by my own power."

ROOSEVELT, THE OMNIPOTENT Roosevelt's annual budget message to Congress contains statements that are evidence that the less a man does, the more he is inclined to believe he can do the impossible.

Listen to this from his speech: "The tremendous productive capacity of our country, of all countries, has been demonstrated. Freedom from want for everybody everywhere is no longer a Utopian dream."

Secretary Wallace was a piker when he merely suggested a bottle of milk for everybody everywhere. Roosevelt is not only going to give them a bottle of milk but he is going to free them from wants of all kinds. Never in all history has there been a bigger promiser than Roosevelt.

According to Roosevelt, Jesus was wrong and did not know what He was talking about when He said, "The poor ye will always have with you". But the omnipotency of Roosevelt's egoism causes him to promise things that even the Creator could never promise. All history is evidence that men must live by the sweat of their brow. Their wants must be satisfied by their own exertion. But not according to Roosevelt, even though he could not even make a living himself, other than out of the public treasury who now proclaims that it is possible for everyone everywhere to be free from want. He has the same dreams as the technocrats.

No dictator or religious fanatic, in all history, has ever made greater promises than Roosevelt. He will have Heaven on earth. We can do away with the Commandments, "Thou shalt not covet" and "Thou shalt not steal," according to Roosevelt. There will be no need of these Commandments when everyone has everything he wants. Every person can live on the most beautiful site in the country. Every person can have perfect health, the very best doctors, perfect cleanliness, perfect beauty, the most beautiful music and art, the most modern labor-saving devices, perfect temperature and even perfect understanding.

Following Hitler's Advice Roosevelt, in proclaiming that it is possible to make all people everywhere free from want, is following Hitler's advice to tell people a big enough lie and tell it to them often enough, they will finally believe it. If anybody has ever told a bigger one than Roosevelt, in his claim that we can free all people from want everywhere, and that has less possibility of being fulfilled, I have never run across it.

Oh, yes, I hear them say he does not mean this. But we cannot have material prosperity without spiritual character.

If people continue to believe the promises of Roosevelt, it is evidence that the I.Q. of the American people is rapidly falling. If Roosevelt actually believes that it is possible to free everybody everywhere from want, it is evidence that his understanding of natural law is deficient. It is evidence, in short, that he is drunk with power. If he does not believe what he says and still makes these Utopian, absurd and foolish promises in order to keep himself in power, it is evidence that he is immoral and dishonest. In either case, the public will pay the penalty for his leadership so long as they continue to permit him, through the Congress, to waste the substance of our people. No President has ever impoverished the people as Roosevelt has in his attempt to free our own people from want, let alone freeing all the people everywhere from want.

Our ration cards are one piece of evidence of his failure.

Mr. Roosevelt's words were vague but perhaps they mean that the weight of this country will be thrown into the European balance with a view to giving the side we take the preponderant strength. If so, the hopes he entertains are more than a little likely to be disappointed even if the people of this country accept the assigned role. It is not only possible, but, as the events of the last 25 years have shown, it is easy to realign the powers to overcome such a preponderance as existed, for example, on Nov. 11, 1918.

GOOD MORNING, HAVE YOU BEEN INDICTED? (Industrial and Engineering Chemistry)

It is becoming more and more evident that unless a federal grand jury has returned an indictment against a business organization, it simply does not belong in the list of the successful. We used to look upon such indictments as indication of dishonorable dealing of some sort and felt that no one thereafter would wish to do business with those so indicted. But this proves not to be the case.

Some of the best and most patriotic businessmen that we know and the companies with which they work often head the lists of those who are charged with some crime which usually turns out to be a violation of the Sherman anti-trust act in the manufacture and sale of something which at the very moment is of great importance to the government. While the department of justice does its best to add to its reputation by prosecuting these cases, some other department is practically on its knees and hat in hand, begging for increased production.

Officialdom finally awoke to the strange situation being created, and lately some indicted companies have been saved the division of their labors by the postponement of trials under these indictments until after the war, thereby assuring continuing activity. A recent example is the indictment of two American companies manufacturing all the acrylic products in the United States.

All this may be legal and the steps taken are presumably for the protection of the public, but somehow we have been more interested in seeing a particular piece of war work satisfactorily completed by the industry. The United States patent under which manufacture proceeds, in itself, as we understand it, grants the manufacturer protection for a certain number of years in exchange for disclosure of new information. It now seems that operating under such patent rights may be only another cause for indictment, since later theories condemn the maintenance of a patent protected monopoly over the materials for which the patent was granted. This situation we find difficult to understand.

BUY VICTORY BONDS Russian Spirit

Unthinking Americans have asserted that love for Communism is what makes the Russian people fight so heroically against the Nazis. Ilya Ehrenberg, who has been described as Russia's "most powerful" war correspondent, has another idea.

They fight for their country, for its soil, for their national culture, for their loved ones, says this Red Star correspondent, who could not be anti-Communist and hold his job.

We commend to American party liners Ehrenberg's comment in a recent New York Times magazine: "The cosmopolitanism of the nineteenth century is a thing of the past. Love for one's own village has been resurrected."

THE WAR WILL HAVE TO WAIT



News Behind The News The National Whirligig

By RAY TUCKER Coups: United Nations leaders, including President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and possibly Communist Stalin may soon issue a pronouncement expanding and clarifying the Atlantic Charter which F.D.R. and "Winnie" framed off the coast of Maine in August, 1941.

In view of political developments in China, India and the Middle East the paper now appears somewhat out of date.

The new world constitution, which the American Chief Executive and the British Premier are supposed to have written provides liberty for all peoples and nations. England will relinquish her claim to absolute authority over her colonies and dominions. So will the French and Dutch. The document will be one of history's greatest declarations, if it is not sabotaged by minor politicians.

It should suit India, China, the Baltic powers and the states of the Levant, and bring all those countries into the war on our side. In fact, F.D.R., Churchill and the defender of Stalingrad may shortly stage one of the most magnificent diplomatic coups of all time.

FIGHTERS: A noted New York reporter was the author of the arrangement whereby we gave great Britain fifty destroyers in return for bases in the Atlantic littoral. His name is Arthur D. Howden Smith. He worked beside the water tower and on the old, internationalistic New York Evening Post, which was then owned and controlled by Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Company.

The famous transaction was not consummated until September 3, 1940. But the following private correspondence discloses that the deal was in the making months before that date. Behind-the-scenes facts are quite illuminating, despite Pearl Harbor. On May 2, 1940, Mr. Smith sent this message to his old friend, Lord Lothian, then British Ambassador to Washington and formerly Lloyd George's secretary:

"I had the pleasure of knowing you as Phillip Kerr many years ago when I was associated with the late Colonel House, whose final biography I shall publish in September. If you chance upon any accurate forecast of what is happening, it should be of service to the Allied cause. But that is not really the occasion of this letter.

"It occurs to me that the Admiralty will have increasing need for escort vessels as warfare spreads. Our Navy has a large reserve of wartime destroyers, somewhere between a hundred and a hundred and fifty. They are serviceable vessels and they have been adequately maintained. Forty or fifty were reconditioned for use in the neutrality patrol last fall.

"Am I taking an undue liberty, as a private citizen, if I suggest that it might be possible for the Admiralty to purchase a number of these vessels for convoy service? I see no difference between such a demonstration of 'benevolent neutrality' by the Administration and the waiving of warplane contracts in the Allies' favor."

The envoy's reply to Arthur's suggestion is significant. He admits that London could use a few sub-sinkers, but notes that the sale or swap would be somewhat illegal. His communication is dated May 17, 1940 (Mr. Hull did not publicize the proceedings until September 3rd of this year).

"My dear Arthur Howden Smith: Thank you for your kind letter of May 2nd. I well remember our previous meetings. I would dearly like, if I have the leisure, to read in September your biography of that wise man, Colonel House.

"As to your suggestion about the destroyers, it is an interesting one, and I am passing it on to our naval people.

"But you will no doubt realize that international law forbids a neutral government to sell warships to a belligerent. American airplanes (this was before the fall of France—Editor's note) are, of course, being sold to the French and British governments by private and not by governmental firms.

"Thank you for your suggestion and with kindest regards, Lothian."

Before his late lordship died, the Lend-Lease Act was passed. So he

Our Propaganda Job Is Nifty

By PETER EDSON The Pampa News Washington Correspondent

U. S. "propaganda" for overseas consumption has now branched out into so many different forms you'd hardly recognize it. Of course it isn't supposed to be propaganda, the way the United States puts it out. Propaganda is only the nasty stuff put out by the Nazis, Fascists and Japs. What the U. S. puts out is purely educational material designed to tell other people the truth on what the American war effort is all about.

Not much has been heard about this American counter-propaganda show. The short wave radio broadcasts beamed in many languages and to many lands have been publicized. But radio is only one phase. Movies are used, and the printed word. Some of these printing jobs would knock your eye out, and they're published in two, three and four colors and in languages such as Arabic, Chinese, and Afrikaans, as well as the familiar Spanish, Portuguese, German and English.

Most pretentious of the publication jobs is the new magazine Victory. It's a big picture-magazine job of the Life, Collier's, Look and Saturday Evening Post size. Vol. 1 No. 1 was put out as a trial a few months ago. Issue No. 2 is now on the press, and No. 3, edited and published by Crowell-Collier's under direction of the Office of War Information, overseas branch, will be out in February or March.

This issue No. 3 will contain paid advertising, solicited from American business houses in foreign trade. The magazine will be placed on the newstands in foreign countries and it will be for sale. The idea here is to make it compete with a German propaganda magazine called Signal, which has been distributed all over the world for the past three years and by perhaps 25 million copies to make the German cause look good in the eyes of neutrals, non-belligerents and conquered countries.

ROCKEFELLER BROKE THE ICE First effort to knock Signal off the foreign newstands was made by Nelson Rockefeller's office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, which published a magazine called En Guardia, or On Guard, in Spanish and Portuguese for South American consumption. En Guardia clicked, so this pattern was adopted for other countries, and a certain unconscious rivalry has perhaps developed between the Rockefeller boys and the Elmer Davis OWI boys as to who is putting out the best magazine.

Either way, the German Signal is a shoddy and sorry job by comparison. Signal is decidedly second rate. Fuzzy paper and not so good printing. There's nothing cheap about the American magazine, however. Silk paper, beautiful illustrations, elegant typography, tint blocks and full color on some pages.

Aside from the difference in quality, there is a marked contrast in content, too. The German sheet portrays the gay and smiling faces of the inhabitants of occupied countries, the tears of gratitude as the Czechs, Poles, Ukrainians and such people were delivered to the tender Nazi saviors from stern rule of oppression. In other words, hooey!

The American magazines, on the other hand, lay off all blatant denunciation of our enemies and try to present a carefully documented picture-story of just what life in the United States really is and what the American war effort is shooting at.

WE'RE SUBTLE ABOUT IT Home life of an American workman of German descent, to show what the American standard of living amounts to. Any sap would be able to get the point of this, contrasting it to living standards in Germany or any of the occupied countries.

Stories of what refugees from Nazi oppression are doing in America.

What "Freedom" means under the American way of life.

What the Four Freedoms are all about.

The story of American war production and American resources. No

Today's War Analysis

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON Whatever strategic design for aggressive war against the Axis was fashioned at the Roosevelt-Churchill conference in French Africa, the propaganda effect of the meeting can't be overestimated.

It can hardly be doubted that the timing of the announcement, as well as the selection of Casablanca for the discussion, was based in part on a "war-of-nerves" technique. Allied radio outlets without question stood by keyed up to pour the story into any listening ears on the continent. A flood of leaflets recounting it in many languages is likely to deluge friend and foe alike from Allied planes.

There is no promise from the Casablanca conference to end the war in 1943. However, every line of the official statements rings with implied pledges of prompt second-front action in Europe.

And that Allied promise of action this year to insure ultimate and complete defeat of the Axis comes under circumstances calculated to give it special meaning to all continental audiences. In Germany and Italy it will serve as an ominous background for gloom-tinged battle accounts from Russia—in France, the low countries, Scandinavia, Greece and the Balkans it must inculcate high hopes of release from Nazi thralldom—and stimulate both active and passive resistance to the foe.

The political purposes of that unprecedented journey of the American and British leaders and their top-ranking army, air and naval staffs to North Africa are obvious. In bringing Generals Giraud and DeGaulle together under such high Allied auspices, an approach to untold numbers of European neutrals directly under the Nazi heel has been made. It should go far to ease the position of General Eisenhower in North Africa and free him to concentrate on vigorous prosecution of the campaign to clear the foe out of Tunisia.

And that, above everything else, seems still to be the prime strategy of the Allied high command, the essential next step in the promised campaign of aggression.

That is the exposed flank of the Axis. Hitler's desperate gamble to hold the Tunisian front, even at the price of heavy troop and plane withdrawals from his faltering Russian front, sufficiently illustrates the critical importance of that waistline passage in the Mediterranean.

There is little to indicate that the Casablanca decision will make any change in the broad strategic pattern initially mapped at the Roosevelt-Churchill meetings in Washington many months ago. It is still obvious that the Allied attack is to be concentrated primarily against the European segment of the Axis, this year as last.

If that seemed sound procedure originally, it must have appealed to the Casablanca conferees as even more urgently necessary now. The present situation in Russia and Rommel's flight from Tripolitania call for more, not less, Allied pressure against the weak flank of the Axis in Europe.

It is from Africa that the quickest direct bragging, but subtly putting across the idea that this much strength can't lose.

Stories of American feats of arms, such as the saga of the cruiser Marblehead.

The story of American planes. Issue No. 3 of Victory will make a press run of over 50,000 copies, and will be printed in four or five languages. In addition to the newsstand distribution, there will be selected circulation, spotted by State Department, Army, Navy and OWI's own personnel abroad, to make sure that the messages reach important foreign officials and are read where they will do the most good. In other words, this is a direct approach to the more literate, the more intelligent, the more influential leadership in foreign countries.

Victory isn't for sale or distribution in the U. S.

Around Hollywood

By ERNEST JOHNSON MFA Service Staff Correspondent

Enthusiastically yours. With the blessing of only one of them, we lay ourselves open today for possible legal action by picking the 10 worst-dressed actors in Hollywood. The blessing comes from No. 4 on the list, Charles Coburn, whose sartorial "splendor" is something to sneer at for his role with Jean Arthur and Joel McCrea in "The More the Merrier." It is all Coburn's fault, as a matter of fact. He put us up to it.

Here's the list: 1. Bing Crosby, color blind; 2. Jack Oakie, a sweet-shirt is still a sweet-shirt; 3. Andy Devine, there's no use; 4. Charles Coburn, a tailor's despair; 5. Bob Burns, just like granddaddy; 6. W. C. Fields, no time for tallies; 7. Wallace Beery, with the figure; 8. Guy Kibbee, you can't dress a billiard; 9. Gregory Ratoff, in the Russian manner; 10. Frank McHugh, what do I care?

BERLIN PREMIERE? So David O. Selznick is planning a film version of Hitler's "Mein Kampf." Well, here's hoping a sweet-tooth stages the world premiere in Berlin. Paste it in your hat that Mickey Rooney will check into the Army as soon as he completes work in "Gill Crazy." Metro-Goldwyn has rounded up a group of film versions of "Cry Havoc," despite the play's foldup after only 11 days on Broadway. Studio executives figure an all-star cast will turn it into a box-office hit.

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Signs of the times: Unable to hire enough young men to portray soldiers for a U. S. O. dance sequence in "Private Miss Jones," the studio rounded up a group of middle-aged extras, many of them bald. Troupes turned the 4-Fers into fighting men.

Still dressed in a tuxedo after working all day in "I Dood It," Red Skelton stopped at a lunch counter near M-G-M on his way home. A young woman sitting next to him looked him over and asked, "Why the tax, buddy?" "Oh," deadpanned Red, "I hear they serve meat here."

ANOTHER "BEST DRESSED" M-G-M is about to turn the publicity heat on Marilyn Maxwell as the best figure in Hollywood. She'll be seen for the first time as Bob Taylor's girl in "Stand By For Action." Ona Munson can't escape the Belle Waring tag she acquired in "C. W. T. W." In the new Roy Rogers western "Hi-Yo, Ho," she plays the owner of a gambling den and her name is Belle Bonner.

Unusual entrance for Jean Arthur in RKO's "Free For All." The camera is focused on a huge pile of steel bills in the money-counting room of the New York bank. A feminine hand keeps coming into the scene to transfer stack after stack. It's not until a hole has been made in the pile large enough to disclose the identity of the money-counter that the audience sees she's Jean Arthur.

and most effective pressure can be exerted to take as much weight as possible off Russia and accelerate the still expanding Russian offensive.

Once Tunisia is cleared and adequate air and sea bases for domination of the whole Mediterranean from the straits of Gibraltar to the Suez Canal are set up, a long stride toward beating the U-boats will have been taken. On the middle sea is available to Allied use, a heavy concentration against Japan will be facilitated. All of that is implicit in the Casablanca conference.

BUY VICTORY BONDS PORT BLISS, TEXAS—A trooper past 38 sought his Army release with this plea, said the public relations office: "I worked in a very essential industry—the numbers racket."

"That's not essential," said the interviewer.

"Oh, yes! I made enough out of the numbers to buy 52 war bonds but since I've been in the Army I haven't been able to afford any!" He's still in the Army.

SIDE GLANCES



"Oh, I won't mind getting along on fewer clothes—it will give me something in common with our boys in the jungles!"