

ALLIES DOWN 84 AXIS PLANES

Retail Ceiling Price on Meat Postponed

We at Home Can Help Save Lives
By FRANK KNOX
Secretary of the Navy
(Written for The Associated Press and The Pampa News)

OPA Hints Some Prices May Be Cut

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP)—The Office of Price Administration today postponed for a month the effective date of its newly announced retail ceiling on beef, veal, lamb and mutton and hinted some of the prices may be cut down before being reinstated.



Axis Believes European Fort Impregnable

BERN, Switzerland, April 14 (AP)—The conference between Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini last week was reported today to have resulted in a promise that Germany would carry on the struggle for Fascist expansion, including Africa, in return for greater mobilization of all Italian military and economic resources.

British Army Drives To Rommel's Defense Lines in Mountains

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, April 14 (AP)—The Allied forces in Tunisia have driven up to Marshal Erwin Rommel's mountain defenses ringing Tunis and Bizerte, a communique from Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters announced today, and American and British aircraft have destroyed 84 more Axis planes.

\$444,400 Is Yet To Be Raised In Gray County

Goal of Gray county in the Second Victory Loan drive was \$51,000 closer today with that figure reported for today by S. D. Stennis, drive chairman.

Two Alcatraz Convicts Killed

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14 (AP)—Listing two convicts as dead and two recaptured in the latest escape attempt at Alcatraz Federal prison in San Francisco bay, Warden James A. Johnston said today the men who made the dash were "all accounted for."

Yellow Corn Price Is Raised To Spur Livestock Production

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP)—A pair of farm price orders—raising yellow corn ceilings in the Midwest and placing horsemeat under price control—provided the major inflation front action today as other developments projected by President Roosevelt in his "hold the line" edict generally lagged.

Industrial Area Now Classified As Residential

A shift in zoning class of a portion of the city was ordered by the city commission at its regular meeting yesterday when a southeastern area was changed from the industrial class to residential.

Wheat Records Biggest Texas Income Rise

Cash income from Texas wheat during 1942 showed an increase of 190 per cent over 1941, the largest individual crop percentage increase in cash returns to the farmer for the year, the bureau of agricultural economics of the USDA reported today from Austin in an Associated Press dispatch.

Instances of Army Food Waste Admitted

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP)—Maj. Gen. E. B. Gregory acknowledged before the Senate War Investigating committee today that "there may be instances" in some army camps of "huge quantities of food being thrown out as garbage."

Swedish Planes Drive Off German Bombers

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, April 14 (AP)—Swedish fighter planes and anti-aircraft batteries drove off two German bomber planes flying in the vicinity of Karlskrona, Sweden's major naval base, a foreign office spokesman announced today.

Lubbock Youth Held On Forgery Charge

A 17-year-old boy from Lubbock was being held in county jail today on a charge of passing a forged instrument. He was arrested in Lubbock by officers there Sunday and brought to Pampa yesterday by Sheriff Emerson, Gray county deputy sheriff.

Winter Returns For Visit Here

From a summery 69 degrees the mercury dipped to an autumn-like 39 today as a touch of near-winter edged its way into the spring picture in Pampa.

Actress Presses Claim for Son

NEW LONDON, Conn., April 14 (AP)—Judge William J. Shea in superior court has opened an action for custody of a 14-year-old boy, Peter Bennett Plant, the real son of film star Constance Bennett and the late Phil Plant or Miss Bennett's adopted son.

Camacho Permitted To Leave Mexico

MEXICO CITY, April 14 (AP)—A law giving President Avila Camacho blanket permission to leave Mexico for not more than 72 hours at a time, when he considers it necessary, will become effective when signed by the president and published in the official gazette.

Borger Sergeant Is Decorated

(By The Associated Press) Two oak leaf clusters to air medals were awarded to Joseph T. Hutson, technical sergeant, of Borger, reported missing in action since January 12 after anti-submarine flights over the Atlantic. His sister, Mrs. Ruth Widener, lives at 236 S. Madison street, Borger.

'SCARE' OF THE WEEK

Japs Threaten Axis Air Raid On America

By The Associated Press
Japan raised a bogie-man threat of bombing the United States today as Maj.-Gen. Kenryo Sato, chief of the bureau of military affairs, declared that preparations were completed for "a vast air attack on the American mainland."

American Sergeant Slightly Embarrassed

CAIRO, April 14 (AP)—Sergeant Worden P. Lowell of Malden, Mass., a United States army photographer, is one of the most embarrassed men in Tunisia.

Jefferson Play Is Termed Best

NEW YORK, April 14 (AP)—"The Patriots," Sidney Kingsley's drama of Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton, was voted the best play of the year by the New York drama critics, circle yesterday, the 200th anniversary of Jefferson's birth.

Worley Promises Land Owner Relief

WASHINGTON, April 14 (AP)—Following conferences with officials of the justice and war departments, Representative Worley of Shamrock, Texas, said that Panhandle landowners who had not been paid for land taken by the government could obtain financial relief through the federal courts.

Minute Interview

At Pampa's Army Air Base
Each day the roving reporter at Pampa's Army Air Force Advanced Flying School asks a soldier, "What did you do before you entered the air force?"

DRUGS ARE AMPLE

CHICAGO, April 14 (AP)—George Van Gorder, president of the National Wholesale Druggists' association, said today that adequate drugs, medicines and materials to treat the ill and injured were available to meet all emergencies on the home front.

Basis for Cafe Prices Explained

DALLAS, April 14 (AP)—The office of war information says it is generally understood that maximum prices for all eating and drinking establishments will be the highest prices prevailing last week.

WEATHER FORECAST

Little temperature change tonight. Light local rains in Panhandle this afternoon and tonight.

OFFICIAL TEMPERATURES

Table with 2 columns: Time and Temperature. 6 p. m. yesterday: 64; 9 p. m. yesterday: 56; 6 a. m. today: 46; 7 a. m. : 45; 8 a. m. : 45; 9 a. m. : 45; 10 a. m. : 45; 11 a. m. : 45; 12 noon : 45; 1 p. m. : 45; Yesterday's maximum : 46; Yesterday's minimum : 42.

TRAITOR TO DIE ON APRIL 27

DETROIT, April 14 (AP)—Execution of German-born Max Stephan, convicted traitor, was set for Tuesday, April 27, at the federal correctional institution at Milan, Mich., by Federal Judge Arthur J. Tuttle in United States District Court here today.

Spanish Ship Is Sunk By Boat

LONDON, April 14 (AP)—The Morocco radio said today the Spanish ship Costado Monte Alegre had been sunk in the Atlantic ocean in a daylight attack by a German submarine.

Fierce Post-War Air Competition Foreseen

CHICAGO, April 14 (AP)—The expansion of commercial aviation in change from warplane to manufacture of civilian air equipment—will bring intense competition for world air routes, says United Air Lines president W. A. Patterson.

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I SAW...

Ed Anderson, city hall custodian, working out a selective service system of his own—or maybe they were all volunteers. Anyhow, he's in competition with the court house for the best downtown lawn, and police yesterday afternoon were out on a dandelion kill at the Albert square lawn.

Farms in East Will Produce Less This Year

(EDITOR'S NOTE: From coast to coast, Associated Press reports have been publishing the views of farmers—down on the farm—on the food prospects for this year. These views are being presented, section by section, in six daily articles, of which this—covering the northeastern states—is the first to appear in The Pampa News. Tomorrow: the north central states.)

BOSTON, April 14 (AP)—Bill Richards is the biggest vegetable grower in Massachusetts. He's a big man, built like a football fullback, with a leathery face and touches of gray at his temples.

After talking for half an hour while walking from one trouble spot to another on his broad farm, where manpower is his prime worry, he rested a pair of cantaloupe-sized fists on his dining room table, piled high with letters, government forms and ration books, and summed up: "These cumulative headaches simply mean that many farmers will produce less food than we did last year."

That prediction—smaller total food crops than in 1942—was echoed in most of the 19 northeastern states covered by a survey that gathered the opinions of state commissioners of agriculture, farm experts and dozens of farmers.

The word from seven states, New York, Delaware, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont, was that near-traces would be needed if farmers are to equal last year's production. The best available consensus from the other three states, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Maine, was mixed.

Entirely aside from the "ifs" that are studding the farm picture in the northeast—such problems as lack of manpower, shortages of machinery and fertilizer, price ceilings or the lack of them, various federal rulings affecting farmers, and the ever-present question mark of weather—one fact stands out above others.

It is that last year produced a bumper food crop, and that even a

solution of the big "ifs" may well leave the east with the necessity of importing much more, rather than less, food.

Despite the difficulties, however, there was evidence aplenty throughout the 10-state area that farmers and farm leaders do not intend to take their troubles lying down.

Experts agree there will be little conversion from non-food to food crops, primarily because there is relatively little non-food farming in the area.

Pennsylvania hopes to have 600,000 school children register for farm work during April, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York has organized a drive to enlist 30,000 full and part-time farm workers.

New Hampshire had helped its problem somewhat by a move to allow me non relief rolls, particularly those over 65, to work on farms without losing their relief status.

A sharp division of opinion was expressed throughout the area, particularly by individual farmers themselves, over the advisability of bringing in the army to do farm work. Some opposed it flatly. Others felt harvest help from the armed forces would be necessary.

There was virtually unanimous agreement that federal moves to defer farm workers from the draft had been tremendously helpful to farmers.

Every one of the 10 states also reported a shortage of farm machinery.

To sum up, the northeastern survey showed that farm manpower definitely was the number one problem, that every state was alive to this bottleneck and that the summer of 1943 may see the biggest mass migration by men, women and children from city to farm in the history of the northeast in an effort to produce a sizeable food crop.

BUY VICTORY STAMPS

BANKS PLEDGE SUPPORT
NEW YORK, April 14 (AP)—This war is everybody's war, President W. L. Hemingway of the American Bankers association said today in pledging support of the nation's 1,500 banks for the treasury's \$13,000,000,000 war loan drive.

Four-Engined Bomber Pilots Are Physically Elite of Air Cadets

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In a 14-day trip of flying training command centers, William Smith White saw just what goes into the making of American airmen. Here, in the second of four stories, he tells about the training of bomber and fighter pilots. Tomorrow—the navigator.)

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE
Associated Press Staff Editor

HEADQUARTERS, AAF FLYING TRAINING COMMAND, Ft. Worth, April 14—Never has such terrible destructive power been placed in the hands of so many who are so young as is being placed in the hands of the big, quiet youngsters who are being taught—right on schedule and in the censored thousands—to pilot the American four-motored bomber.

He is physically the elite among all the "misters"—the army team for flying cadets.

At such classification centers as that at Nashville, Tenn., which I visited in the course of a 14-day tour of fields in the southeast and Gulf coast training centers of the flying training command, the prospective bomber pilot cadet is picked with all the care that would be lavished upon choosing the commander of a capital naval ship.

The exact qualifications which the cadet must display on his examination are not disclosable, but the general the boy headed for bomber pilot school must, in common with the potential fighter pilot, display the utmost in split-second coordination and perception. As he goes up the line through primary, basic and advanced school, he must reveal, develop and maintain a high ability for command and the worries that go with it. In action, he is, after all, going to be responsible for \$350,000 worth of machine and 10 vital lives.

He is tall and unusually strong—jerking a fortress around takes a good deal of plain muscle—and usually much more reserved than the fighter pilot cadet. The intentness, the look of sharp strain, is always on his face in taking off and landing—these are jobs requiring the most painful concentration—and his

Two-Thirds of Omaha Airport Is Flooded

OMAHA, April 14 (AP)—The muddy swirling waters of the flood-swollen Missouri river covered an estimated two-thirds of Omaha's \$4,000,000 airport today and hopes for saving the field from complete inundation were slim.

That estimate came from airport manager William R. Milner, who stayed in the flood-surrounded administration building all night.

Sudden breaks in two dikes last night gave the swollen stream the upper hand, temporarily at least, by sending it in from two directions toward the airport. Junctionure of the two long fingers of water would cover the field and complete the inundation of Carter Lake, Ia., which started last night.

BUY VICTORY BONDS
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