

SURRENDER OF SICILY IS NEAR

48 Jap Planes Downed over Pacific Area

London Believes Rome Declaration Is Ruse

LONDON, Aug. 16—(AP)—Belief that the Italian declaration of Rome as an "open city" was merely a trick by Premier Marshal Pietro Badoglio to spare it from further bombardment appeared to be growing in Great Britain today and Lord Beaverbrook's London Daily Express bluntly demands that Allied air attacks be continued until Italy quits the war.

Governor Says State Pension Statute Just Like Federal Law

AUSTIN, Aug. 16—(AP)—A threat of withdrawal of federal aid and suggested funds for old age assistance is utterly ridiculous, Governor Coke E. Stevenson asserted today. It was the governor's contention that there was no basic difference between state and federal statutes permitting assistance recipients to earn limited additional income above basic needs without losing eligibility.

OPA Inspectors Here to Probe Vacation Trips

Five investigators from the Lubbock district office of the office of price administration were at work in Pampa today making a check-up on automobile vacation trips taken by Pampans.

Jack Morris, one of the five, has been in town two weeks. Full names of the others could not be obtained here.

Filling stations have been visited by the group and operators cautioned about the OPA rule that requires license numbers of automobiles to be written on gasoline coupons.

Tex DeWeese, managing editor of The News, was one of those called on the carpet by an OPA investigator this forenoon.

The investigator wanted to know where DeWeese got his gasoline to take a honeymoon trip after his marriage last July 21. It was explained that the trip was made on part of the A coupons from the old period which expired July 21 and part of the A coupons for the new period which began July 22.

The investigator said that "the OPA received a complaint about the trip" and that all complaints were being investigated including those against a number of persons who he said "have been merely cooling off in the mountains."

The investigator's sense of humor came to the fore when he added this comment: "We after all—maybe a honeymoon trip comes under the head of essential activities."

Draft Official Quits, Won't Call Fathers

BOWLING GREEN, O., Aug. 16—(AP)—Tom C. Wooden, first world war veteran, resigned today as chairman of Wood county's selective service board No. 1 rather than draft pre-Pre-Pre Harbor fathers.

In a letter to Col. C. W. Goble, state director of selective service, Wooden said: "I can not, and will not, be a party to a system permitting these conditions which will take family men from established homes, some of long standing."

I SAW...

A half-dozen Pampa Field officers wearing swanky white uniforms at the dance at the field recreation building last night. Among the wearers of whites was Capt. John B. Logan, C. O. of the 833rd and head of instrument training.

PARMAK, world's largest selling electric fences, Lewis Hardware Co.

Allied Aerial Superiority Is Fast Growing

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 16—(AP)—Allied warplanes, displaying in the protection of their ground forces a vigilance equal to the zeal with which they carried the attack to the enemy, shot down 48 Japanese aircraft—23 of them bombers—over the Southwest Pacific battle-front yesterday.

This success, reported in today's communiqué from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters, was achieved at a cost of only five Allied planes and no more than three pilots. The ration of nearly 10 to 1 bettered by far the all-over score of approximately 4 to 1 established in the six weeks since the start of the Allies' new Pacific offensive.

The day's victory in skies over the Solomon Islands and North-eastern New Guinea supplies fresh evidence of increasing Allied aerial might in a field of war where General MacArthur, cognizant that advances by ground troops must be measured in yards, has predicted that air power will be decisive.

In a weekend of almost ceaseless activity, the air forces under MacArthur's command also: Attacked without loss the great Japanese-held oil port of Balikpapan on the east coast of Borneo flying a round-trip of more than 2,500 miles to set huge fires among refineries, reservoirs and tank ships; Dumped 99 tons of explosives yesterday on enemy positions around Komiatum, south of Lae, New Guinea, to extend the destruction wrought by 350 tons of bombs unloaded on Salamaua in the two preceding days.

Heavily machine-gunned the enemy's central airfield of Kahili on Bougainville in the Northern Solomons, damaging many grounded aircraft; Bombed Vila, Japan's last remaining airfield in the Central Solomons.

Raided enemy-held villages and possible supply centers on New Britain and New Guinea; Sank or damaged 19 more Japanese supply barges off the coasts of these islands.

In strictly aerial combat yesterday, Americans of the Solomons air command accounted for 12 dive bombers and 22 fighters against a loss of two of their own planes.

Twenty-seven of the enemy craft, intercepted as they winged southward toward the New Georgia lightning zone, were shot down in the neighborhood of Vella Lavella Island. The other seven were knocked out over their home base of Kahili by U. S. airmen who boldly ventured in ambush for their return.

U. S. Airacobras, stepping out of their more usual role of attack planes in support of ground forces, waylaid 12 twin-engine Japanese bombers and 25 fighters bound for the islands.

Sub, Destroyer, Three Smaller Vessels Lost

WASHINGTON, August 16—(AP)—Axis U-boats have been destroyed at the rate of about one a day for the past three months in Allied sea offensives which, an official announcement says, have resulted in the loss of six American warships during the past 60 days.

A navy communiqué yesterday reported the loss of six American warships. The submarine Pickering and the destroyer Maddox topped the list, which also included the gunboat, Plymouth, the submarine chaser PC-496, the mine sweeper Sentinel and the submarine rescue vessel Redwing.

The sinkings raised to 110 the number of American warships reported sunk, overdue and presumed lost, or destroyed to prevent capture by the enemy, since the war started.

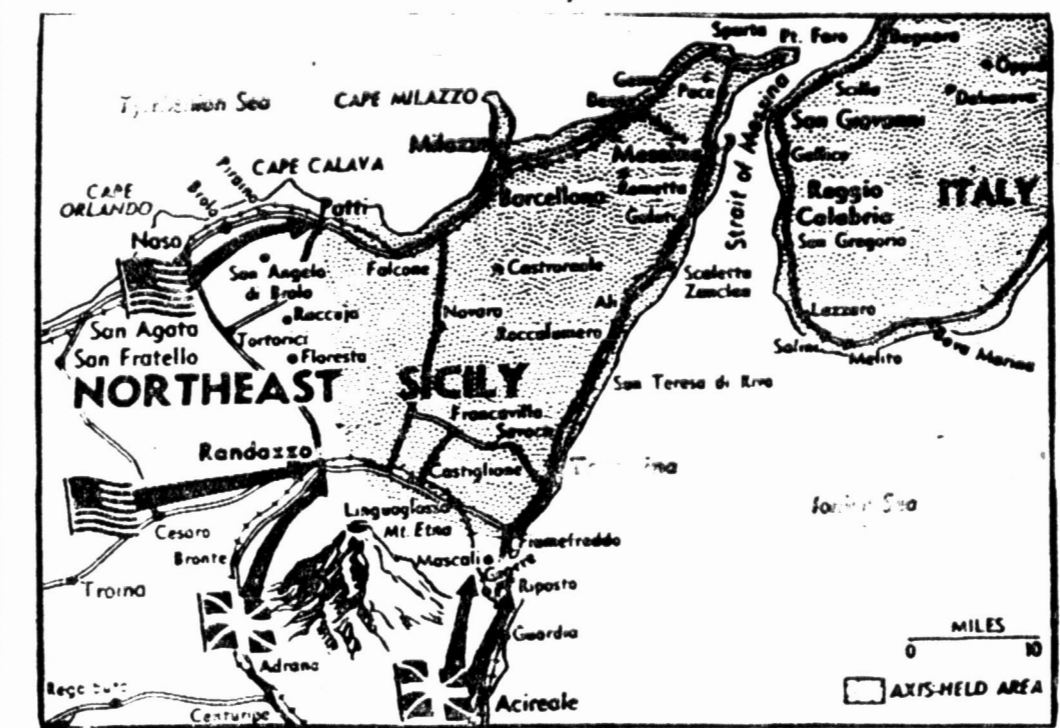
Work Starts On Shangri-La

WASHINGTON, August 16—(AP)—There will be a Shangri-La officially in the United States fleet. The navy announced today that the name U. S. S. Shangri-La has been assigned to a new aircraft carrier under construction at the U. S. navy yard, Portsmouth, Va.

The name came from the President's facetious designation of the fictional city as the base from which the Doolittle raiders flew to bomb Tokyo.

The treasury in recent weeks has based a bond selling campaign upon construction of a Shangri-La aircraft carrier.

ALLIES PUSH AHEAD IN RUSSIA, SICILY



The American Seventh Army raced through Milazzo, only 14 miles from Messina and within cannon shot of Italy, while the British Eighth Army captured Taormina, 28 miles south of Messina. In Russia, the Red army threatened Bryansk, after capture of Karachev, 20 miles away. (NEA Telemaps.)



Those Who Need It to Get Gas

DALLAS, August 16—(AP)—Reduction in value of gasoline ration coupons went into effect in Texas today but no hardship will be worked on farmer and ranchers and on workers needing home-to-work rations, Regional OPA Administrator Max McCullough announced here.

McCullough, in an interview, warned that rationing boards will give no automatic increases to offset the cut which reduces the value of A, B and C book coupons from four to three gallons.

"Only justifiable increases will be made," he said. "There will be no automatic increases of supplemental rationing by local boards to offset this cut," the administrator declared, "or the purpose of the gasoline consumption curtailment—to give the entire country an equitable share—would be nullified."

Tommy Manville Wedding Is Off

NEW YORK, Aug. 16—(AP)—Tommy Manville's contemplated seventh marriage is off—at least for the time being. The much-married Manville, who on Saturday obtained a license to wed Sunny Ainsworth, 19, a Texas showgirl, said yesterday there would be no immediate ceremony, explaining that "she felt she hadn't known me long enough."

Said Miss Ainsworth: "I don't ever want to marry again until I am sure it will last and I am not sure about this one. You know I've been married twice before and Tommy has been married six times."

Slavs Sabotage Wheat Harvest

ISTANBUL, August 15—(Delated)—Yugoslav guerrillas, rallying to the battle cry "not one grain of wheat for the Germans," are waging an intensive campaign to sabotage the harvest and communications in Serbia, Montenegro, and parts of Bosnia and Albania, reports from the Balkans said today.

The slogan was said to have been taken from an order issued by General Draja Mihailovic to his guerrilla chiefs. Despite German efforts to stamp out sabotage in Yugoslavia, the guerrilla campaign there was said to be flourishing. Fires in wheat fields and collisions between Nazi supply trains were reported increasing.

Albuquerque Wins Bombing Olympic

BIG SPRING, August 16—(AP)—Albuquerque's cadet bombardiers were double champions today—winners of a second successive flying training command bombing Olympic here.

The Olympic yesterday was the fifth in a cycle of bombing competitions. Capt. Ewing T. Croft, Omaha, Neb., a member of the Albuquerque team, was declared the day's all-American bomber. San Angelo's Field Cadet John G. Iusi of Sharpburg, Pa., dropped one bomb within two and a half feet of the pickle barrel target center and was individual runner-up.

'A Jeep for Every Farmer' May Be Campaign Cry in Next Election, Capital Signs Show

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—(AP)—Unless a lot of people are reading the signs wrong, congress is about to put the "GI" on the "GI." Prettily translated, that means there is likely to be what is known in polite military circles as "congressional interference" when the time comes to dispose of the "government issue" shoes, socks, jeeps, bazookas, tanks and trucks the army will have on hand when the war is over.

And don't be surprised if some bright aspirant for a legislative seat comes up in the next campaign with "a jeep for every farmer" as his political slogan. Congress has already done some head scratching over the problem of disposing of what may amount to upwards of \$50,000,000,000 in equipment that will be left over from the war.

Although President Roosevelt once suggested that the budget bureau would be the proper agency to tackle this task, the house passed a bill to set up a joint committee of five senators and five representatives to study the situation and make recommendations. Thus far the measure has received scant attention in the senate but Senator Hatch (D-NM), a member of the Truman war investigating committee, predicted today that the problem will get consideration soon after congress convenes next month.

"I think every farmer wants a jeep," Hatch told a reporter. "At least it seems that way from the mail I have been getting. If there are jeeps for sale after the war, they ought to be sold direct to the farmer at low cost and not disposed of to some broker who can make a handsome profit for himself on a resale."

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Childress was second in team bombing, Deming, N. M., was third and Victorville, Calif., was fourth. Other teams finished as follows: San Angelo, Roswell, Big Spring and Midland.

U. S. Troops Race Toward Messina As British Move North

American troops were sprinting the last dozen or so miles toward Messina, the finish line in the five-week Sicilian campaign, and bowled over light and scattered rearguards today amid strong indications that their quarry, the Germans, already had fled.

Racing past Milazzo and well beyond Barcellona the American Seventh Army brought Messina, the last escape port of the enemy, under the range of its "Long Tom" artillery. Milazzo is less than 14 miles west of Messina.

At the same time the British Eighth Army streamed through Taormina on the east coast, 28 miles short of the same objective, and Allied headquarters officials announced that the end of the campaign "is now at hand."

Two Leaders End Parley At Hyde Park

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—(AP)—President Roosevelt returned to Washington today after three days of conferences with Prime Minister Churchill at the Roosevelt family home in Hyde Park, New York.

The White House gave out no details of the president's trip beyond the statement it issued yesterday that the chief executive will join the war conferences in Quebec "this week."

That statement also disclosed that the prime minister had returned to Quebec where the joint chiefs of staff have been meeting for several days.

QUEBEC, Aug. 16—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill was back in Quebec today after a three-day visit to Washington. The American chief executive was expected here shortly for the opening of their war strategy conference.

The prime minister returned here yesterday and immediately set to work. Military chiefs of staff of both nations already are on hand. Developments during the early phases of the war talks last week, after the prime minister's arrival from England on Tuesday, suggested a four-point agenda for the final stages.

Allied military strategy for Europe presumably occupies the top spot among all matters the Allied leaders must examine. The other three points apparently slated for consideration are linked with the first. They are: 1. The conduct of the war in the Pacific.

2. The immediate political problems which will spring from expanded combat action in Europe—and there is little room left for such action except on the continent proper. 3. The long-range political issues which will arise upon the attainment of total victory and the means of achieving effective collaboration on them among all the United Nations, including Russia.

OPA Wants Ceiling Price Lists Now. Employees of the county rationing board office stopped work on inventory of clothing prices as the period April 4-14, 1943. This was to have been submitted in May but some food retailers have not yet turned in their list and the local office wants this information no later than Saturday, Mrs. Helen Epperson, price panel secretary, said today.

Mercury Hits 100 Mark 11 Days. For 11 days this month the temperature in Pampa has hit the 100 mark or better, the U. S. Weather Bureau here said today. Hottest day of the month and the hottest of the summer was August 2, when 108 degrees was recorded. Maximum temperatures of 100 degrees were registered on August 6, 11, 14, 15, 101 on August 3, 12, 102 August 8, 9, 13, 102, August 7.

Norway's Police Chief Executed. STOCKHOLM, August 16—(AP)—A German announcement from Oslo declared today that Gunnar Ellsen, chief of Norway's civil police, had been executed and threatened the execution of other Norwegian officers in a purge to compel the police to enforce Nazi occupation orders.

Today's Best LAFF. WENTWORTH, Mo.—America is producing—even Farmer Floyd Jones' sow has caught the spirit. In a patriotic gesture, what with meat shortages and rationing, Mrs. Sow presented the nation with 21 pigs. That makes 88 pigs in four litters.

WARTIME PRODUCTION. Purchase your gas and oils from Pampa Garage & Storage, 112 N. First St., A. B. 8—12 p. m. to 10 p. m. except Wednesdays. We never close.

Mrs. Smith Honored At Surprise House Warming Party

Mrs. Tony Smith was the honoree at a surprise house warming when Mrs. O. B. Schiffman entertained at 324 N. Banks last week.

City Park Is Scene Of S. S. Picnic

Church Goes Sunday school class and Shining Lights Sunday school class met at the City park Thursday afternoon and were entertained with a picnic by their teachers.

Those attending were: Nan Gossett, Lou Dean Cotton, Connie Dumas, Peggy Cotton, Barbara Ann Nance, Barbara Southard, Knoxine Russell and Donald Ruth Perrin.

Before the war Stalin was nothing to Mr. Churchill but a blood-stained tyrant, and Mr. Churchill was nothing to Stalin but a type of bourgeois imperialist.

NO ASPIRIN

can do more for you, so why pay more? World's largest seller at 10¢, 30 tablets 24¢, 100 for only 35¢. Get St. Joseph Aspirin.

Mrs. J. B. Hilburn Is Hostess To T. E. L. Sunday School Class

The T. E. L. Sunday school class of the Central Baptist church met in the J. B. Hilburn residence, Thursday for their regular monthly 1 o'clock luncheon and business session.

Canadian Group Is Entertained With Picnic At Creek

CANADIAN, AUG. 14—Mrs. Frank Ethredge, superintendent of the junior department of the Baptist church Sunday school, and the teachers of that department, chaperoned the group of forty juniors for a picnic Thursday evening.

The picnic was held in the Frank Hutton meadow just across the Canadian river from Canadian.

Pedestrian fatalities were 15 per cent lower in 1942 than in the year previous.

Gam-Glamor Increases When Legs Are Given a Weekly De-Fuzzing



BONNIE DONAHUE: Keeps her legs photogenic.

Released through the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, the announcement states that the alien property custodian office has vested 45,000 United States patents and patent applications formerly under enemy control.

Anglin-Nordo Vows Are Read Thursday By Rev. Carver

WHEELER, Aug. 15—Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Anglin announce the marriage of their daughter, Billie Jean, to Pvt. Jimmie Russell Nardo.

U. Texas Coed Will Wear Summer Cottons For Rush Week

AUSTIN, Aug. 16—As cottons replace woollens, and pinfours oust dark dresses, the University of Texas will launch its first "summer" informal sorority Rush Week for coeds Sept. 1 with the opening of the fall term.

The Social Calendar

- TODAY Legion Auxiliary will meet. Pathian sister Temple 41 will meet. W. F. W. Auxiliary will meet. TUESDAY Random Girls will meet at 8 o'clock in the Masonic hall. Pathian Council of Catholic Women will meet. Wednesday Parish Council of Catholic women will meet. Women's Society of Christian service will meet in gym. THURSDAY La Rosa Sorority will meet. Eubank Lodge will meet. Sub Deb club will meet. Coffee social will meet at 2:30 for luncheon and luncheon at the officers club. FRIDAY Entre Nous Club will meet. O. E. S. will have initiation work at the Masonic Hall at 8 o'clock. MONDAY Pathian Sisters Temple will meet at 7:30. NOTICE Girl Scout troop 4 will not meet Tuesday as originally planned.

Eastern Wins Western Golf

EVANSTON, Ill., Aug. 16—(AP)—Dorothy Germain, 19-year-old playground supervisor from Philadelphia, who because of a drought of golfing activity in the east decided to keep her woods and irons hot in this summer's women's western golf association tourneys, Saturday won the WWGA's amateur championship.

WALLTEX We stock a nice selection of patterns for kitchens and baths. HOME BUILDERS SUPPLY 112 W. Foster Phone 1414

Barrett-Johnson Rites Are Read

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer G. Barrett announce the marriage of their daughter, Bernice, to Pfc. Frank A. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Johnson, of Holly Grove, Ark.

Numerous Patents Are Available to Business

Pampa and Gray county machine shops and related businesses, searching for a new source of revenue now that war, priorities, and rationing have cut off much of their normal trade, were given a new outlook today with an announcement by the office of the alien property custodian, Chicago.

Italian-Swede Trade Halted

STOCKHOLM, August 16—(AP)—Germany has cut off Sweden's commercial trade with Italy by refusing to transport Swedish goods on the Reich's railways, an official statement disclosed today.

Hemphill Farm Agents Attending District Meeting

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS. CANTON, August 16—Miss Argen Hix, Hemphill county home demonstration agent, and John O. Stovall, Hemphill county agent, attended the Panhandle district meeting of county agents and county home demonstration agents in Amarillo today.

"I Lost 52 Lbs.!

WEAR SIZE 14 AGAIN! MRS. C. D. WELLS, FT. WORTH As Pictured Here? You may lose pounds and have a more slender, graceful figure. No exercise. No drugs. No laxatives. Fat melts, potatoes, gravy, butter. The eruptions of Mrs. Wells may or may not be different than yours, but you will get the same results. These 48¢.

WILSON DRUG STORE 300 S. Cayler St. Pampa, Texas



Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Carson, Sr.

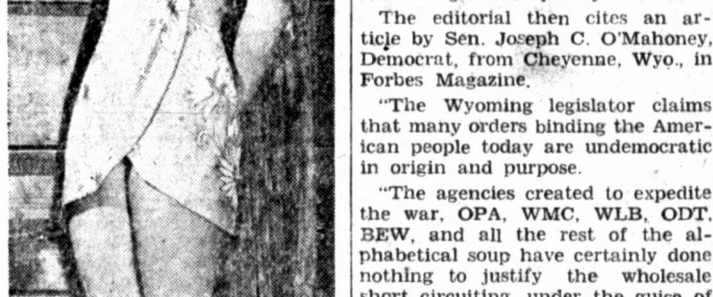
Dinner Party Is Given In Observance Of Golden Wedding Anniversary, Aug. 3

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Carson, Sr., celebrated the anniversary of their 50th year of marriage with a dinner given August 3, at the Hillson Hotel dining room.

Wyoming Shares Texas Dislike for Numerous Governmental Agencies Which Hamstring Us

Texas' dislike of the orgy of red tape entangling gasoline and tire rationing may bring sighs and groans from the Office of Price Administration, which may or may not be necessary to win the war.

Something GORGEOUS glides onto the screen!



Boosting the nation's July drive to raise \$120,000,000 for a new aircraft carrier is Ester Williams, dubbed Hollywood's "Queen of Shangri-La."

Go By Bus

Buy War Bonds and Stamps With What You Save! For Schedule Information PHONE 671 PAMPA BUS TERMINAL

Cotton Transportation Meeting Set Tuesday

N. F. Nelson, district director of the office of defense transportation, Amarillo, announced today that the harvest of the 1943 cotton crop is almost upon us.

The Hillson Coffee Shop

Where Friends Meet To Eat Open From 5 A. M. to 10 P. M. Hillson Hotel Coffee Shop

TODAY & TUESDAY ANN MILLER BOB CROSBY IN "REVELLE WITH BEVERLY"

CROWN 22c - 9c Open 2:00 P. M.

TODAY & TUESDAY CHARLES BOYER HEDY LAMARR IN "ALGIERS"

STATE 22c - 9c Open 2:00 P. M.

Silver Skates



TODAY & TUESDAY REX 25c - 9c

TODAY thru WED. CHINA



YOUNG LADD WILLIAM BENDIX COLOR CARTOON - NEWS LANORA 35c-40c-9c Boxoffice opens at 2:00 p. m.

Advertisement for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. featuring a cartoon character and the text: 'Please limit your Long Distance call to 5 minutes. Others are waiting.'

Advertisement for Walltex and Home Builders Supply, listing various home improvement products and services.

Advertisement for Pampa Bus Terminal, promoting bus services and war bond/stamp purchases.

Advertisement for Silver Skates, featuring a woman in a swimsuit and promotional text.

Advertisement for Young Ladd and William Bendix, promoting a color cartoon and news program.

Mainly About Pampa And Her Neighbor Towns

Ward has been received here from Bill Abernathy of Williamsburg, Va., that he is now receiving basic training in the Seabees and is stationed in Camp Peary, Va.

Make your appointment for the new Cold Wave Permanent by calling Jane's Beauty Shop, phone 476.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Galloway and Tommy Joe of Wichita Falls, have been visiting in the W. H. Galloway home here.

D. R. Henry, Justice of the peace, married two couples here this weekend.

A marriage license was issued here Saturday to A. V. Frank and Miss Leona A. Kinner, both of Minnesota.

Back at work today was Lorraine Hodges, deputy county clerk, after a two-weeks vacation trip to Beer-For dancers only-Beveredre.

Mrs. Bill Heskew left today to market in Dallas. She will return Monday.

Two Children Hurt When Hit by Car

Lucy Hernandez, 6, 310 W. Atchison, received treatment at the Worley hospital for injuries suffered when she and a 3-year-old boy were hit by an automobile driven by Herbert M. Wills of Arkansas.

The patients stay until it is feasible to transfer them to other hospitals nearer their homes and families via hospital trains.

The institution is leased by the war department from the state of New York which had built it at a cost of more than \$12,000,000 as a state hospital for feeble-minded children.

There now are 3,000 beds, some 100 buildings. A stone's throw from the nation's largest metropolis, here is quiet, enduring calm, clean fresh air.

The first taste of the kind of food for months. They had scrambled eggs, broken fresh in the pan, for breakfast, along with bacon, coffee, fresh fruits, toast.

Now the boys could settle down to the business of getting well—of mending broken bones—of getting used to missing something they'd always had, a hand, or leg perhaps.

A few of the boys in the ward were writing letters. Now they could tell the folks where they were. Some were reading western thrillers and mystery novels.

Some were braiding strips of red, white and blue together to hang their dog tags on.

Larry Lunsford, 23, of Caldwell, Texas, was doing just that. He was "sure glad" to get back because he was "done married" and had two

DOCTORS Black & Roberts OPTOMETRISTS 309 ROSE BLD. PH. 382

Panhandle Lumber Company, Inc. 420 W. Foster Ph. 1000

APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR PERMIT The undersigned is an applicant for a Retail Liquor Permit from the Texas Liquor Control Board and hereby gives notice by publication of such application in accordance with provisions of Section 10, House Bill No. 77, Acts of the Second called session of the 44th Legislature, designated as the Texas Liquor Control Act.

"The Retail Liquor permit applied for will be used in the conduct of a business at Lefors Drug Store, Lot 7, Block 2, Lefors, Texas. (Signed) LEFORS DRUG STORE. By W. L. Pevey.

KEM-TONE The paint they are all raving about. Can apply on wall-paper, wood and many other surfaces. Also have stock of beautiful Kem-Tone borders.

WOMAN IN THE WAR IRENE DAILEY, machinist at the Arms Corp., helps make instruments for gun-fire control.

THE ZONE WHERE CIGARETTES ARE JUDGED The "T-ZONE"—Taste and Throat—is the proving ground for cigarettes. Only your taste and throat can decide which cigarette comes best to you... and how it affects your throat. Based on the experience of millions of smokers, we believe Camels will suit your "T-ZONE" to a "T." Prove it for yourself!

CAMEL

FUNNY BUSINESS



"He thinks he can put an end to swabbing decks!"

Rules to Guard Against Polio Are Cited Here

Pampans were given authoritative information today by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis on what to do when polio strikes.

This year, polio has invaded the Panhandle. At Amarillo there have been 16 cases in hospitals but only three developed in Amarillo.

1. During an outbreak of polio, avoid overting and extreme fatigue from strenuous exercises.

2. Keep children away from large groups. Discourage visiting and avoid parties, gatherings, crowds, and travel.

3. It is the opinion of medical authorities that toilet operations should be delayed until an outbreak is over.

4. Be alert to early signs of illness. Do not assume that a stomach upset or signs of a cold are of no importance.

5. All children and adults sick with unexplained fever should be put to bed and isolated pending medical diagnosis.

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SQUADRON CHATTER

Several members of the 454th squadron participated in a competition drill Tuesday with the 85th TFFT squadron at which Col. D. S. Campbell and Maj. Jamle Gough were the judges.

Staff Sergeant Parker Presley is looking very happy the last few days, as his wife has just gotten back from Houston after straightening up some of the damage at home from the recent storm.

Wonder why Private Billy Mayfield stops in at Lieutenant Dill's office so much lately?

The boys in the 454th orderly room received a card last week from Staff Sergeant Hope, who has been at Red River, N. Mex., on furlough, stating that he "is lying under a tree taking it easy."

Pvt. Fred Bieber received a lift into town the other day on the post's fire truck. He enjoyed the ride so much that he left a uniform which he was taking to the cleaners, on the truck.

Minutes diligent searching up and down the streets of Pampa, the driver of the vehicle located Bieber and returned the uniform.

Was Sergeant Presley's face red Thursday night? It seems the members of the 454th were attending a lecture on pistols at the ground school, and Sgt. Presley, after carefully taking the gun apart and carefully putting it back together, squeezed the trigger and—it wouldn't work.

Cpt. Howard Brush is taking up running again. In his last time out, he came in second.

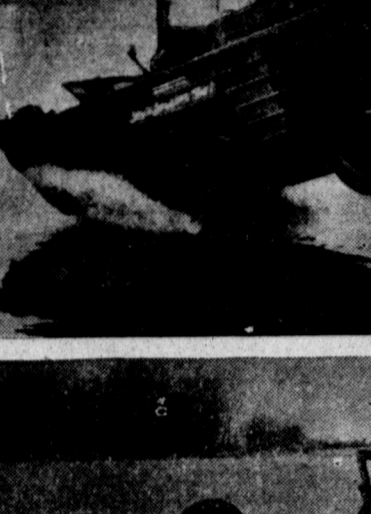
Replacement of equipment requisitioned by the army and the purchase of additional equipment to take care of the new routes will cost about \$2,000,000.

"Another million will be spent on the development of the feeder line routes in the midwest area. Equipment for the foreign route operations, which we hope will include Europe, will cost an additional \$2,000,000."

and the Netherlands at St. Omer, Polk, Amiens, Lille, Vitre-en-Artois, Merville and Vlissingen.

The Mosquito raid on Berlin was the second on consecutive nights. The British lost 10 bombers in their night forays.

Jeeps in the Deep



The amphibious jeep has a rival in its older brother, the original blitz buggy.

Here one of the sea-going jeeps shoots off a dock and into the water at Philadelphia's League Island Lake at 50 miles an hour in a Ford speed test.

One of the regular Willys-Overland land jeeps chugs through the waters of the Maumee river at Toledo, equipped with a special exhaust pipe (arrow) to prevent

Gable Observes Year In Army During Raid

IN BRITAIN, August 16—(AP)—Capt. Clark Gable, back from his third Flying Fortress raid over enemy territory—a raid in which a strap-burst missed him by two feet—sat in his barracks and resolutely deprecated his part in that anniversary attack.

It was an operation falling exactly at the end of his first year in the army—he enlisted Aug. 12, 1942—but it was not from his point of view a complete success.

He was acting as photographic officer in the famous Flying Fortress, "Ain't It Gruesome."

"I didn't get any really good pictures," Gable explained. "You get up there and get your camera on something you think is really the thing—and then, bang, something else happens."

Gable was less talkative than almost any other man who went over and came back in the "Gruesome."

A strap-burst that hit the top turret missed him by only 24 inches.

"I saw lots of hits," he said with a brief smile, "but I didn't see that baby."

Gable fired no guns on this trip, although he had done so on other raids over Paris and Antwerp.

As he explained: "I found I couldn't do both camera work and the other very well and after all, my job is to do that camera work."

Production of gum has been increased by some 50 per cent by the use of a sulphuric acid treatment on tree chips.

Death Urged For Defective Parts Making

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16—(AP)—Rep. Hobbs (D-Ala.) has declared that any person willfully delivering defective materials to the armed forces is guilty of "treason," and he predicted congress would enact the death penalty for such a crime.

The Alabama member of the judiciary committee, said the war and justice departments had approved his bill, which would write the extreme penalty into the sabotage act of the first world war.

"I cannot think of a more reasonable act," he said, "than a person or concern, for private gain, producing and delivering inferior materials, which might cost the lives of many of our boys and endanger the success of military operations."

So far-reaching is the Hobbs bill that it would hold stockholders accountable, under certain circumstances, where an offense is committed by a company.

"That should make the stockholders more careful in the selection of directors," he said.

Under present law, the maximum penalty on a war frauds conviction is two years imprisonment and \$10,000 fine, and the severest punishment under the sabotage law is 30 years, except where there is a military trial with the death penalty permissible.

History of Mexico, Texas Is Rewritten

AUSTIN, August 14—(AP)—History textbooks are being re-written so that Mexican and American school children may get a correlated, impartial and factual story of their countries, the University of Texas Inter-American Relations committee announced today.

Mrs. Pauline Kibbe, field assistant of committee, said that in the U. S. the job has been undertaken under the direction of Dr. Arthur Whitaker of the University of Pennsylvania, financed by the coordinator of Inter-American affairs, The National Education Association and the U. S. Office of Education are cooperating.

"American children, and particularly Texans, have grown up with confused impressions of Mexico and Mexicans, resulting from accounts of the republic's war with Mexico," Mrs. Kibbe said.

"Preserving the historical facts, an attempt will be made to show the progress of Mexico's civilization and culture as it affects our own, and vice versa."

GRAY HAIR TURNING DEEP BLACK

says Mrs. J. B., Chicago "After using Grayvita only a short time, I noticed my gray hair was turning to a real deep black exactly as it used to be. What a difference this makes in my appearance."

Mrs. J. B.'s experience may or may not be different than yours. Why not try GRAYVITA? This anti-gray hair vitamin discovery, Calcium Pantothate, when tested by a leading magazine showed 86% of those tested had positive evidence of some return of hair color.

A GRAYVITA tablet is 10 mgm. of Calcium Pantothate P. H. 400 U. S. P. units of "pop" vitamin B1. Get GRAYVITA now! 30 day supply \$1.50, 100 day supply \$4.00. Phone 462.

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Window and Door SCREENS Burnett Cabinet Shop C. V. Burnett, Owner 315 E. TYNG (East of Foxworth-Galbraith)

MATINEE IDOL

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for words like 'SARATOGA', 'UTILITY', 'ROSEBELT', etc.

Large crossword puzzle grid with numbers indicating starting points for words.

Advertisement for Milk-Beverage-Beer featuring a man drinking and text: 'More MILK-BEVERAGE-BEER if you return deposit bottles promptly. Conserve Vital Materials... It's a patriotic duty.'

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NEWS OF OUR MEN-WOMEN IN UNIFORM

MIAMI—Lieut. J. W. Thompson has recently been promoted to captain and wing chemical officer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Thompson of Miami.

MIAMI—Pfc. Leroy Murry, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Murry of Miami, recently graduated in the armament department army air forces at Lowry Field, Colo.

MIAMI—Jimmy McCormick, petty officer, first class, navy, is visiting in Miami. He is accompanied by his wife.

SHAMROCK—Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Fields this week received a request from the trustees of the Dallas Historical society for data regarding Capt. John Wallace Fields, one of Shamrock's heroes of the current war.

The letter addressed to "the family of Captain John Wallace Fields" stated: "The trustees of the Dallas Historical society have the honor to request that data regarding John W. Fields, a Texan decorated for conspicuous service in the present war, be placed in the archives in the Hall of State, Dallas."

Two sons of the pastor of the church, Wilbur Willett (now overseas), and John Willett, entered the service when the family home was in Seymour.

BUY VICTORY BONDS
Shamrock Swelters In 108-Degree Heat

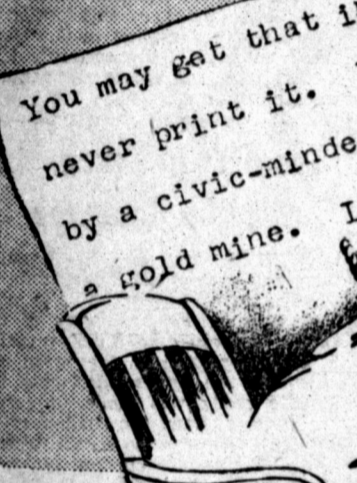
SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.
SHAMROCK, August 16—The mercury reached 108.3 at Shamrock this week and according to reports sent from the Shamrock community by Mrs. C. W. Firts, Texas correspondent, the hot weather has ruined all gardens in the community.

Oldtimers say this is the hottest weather that they can remember. Many farmers in the Shamrock community are out of stock water and some are out of drinking water. The J. B. Castleberry well, one of the oldest on the Plymouth Flat, has gone dry. Castleberry is having a new well drilled.

BUY VICTORY STAMPS
George Washington was a book collector and a devotee of the theater.

HOLD EVERYTHING

There! See what you did by saying Frank Sinatra was married.



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DEATH WRITES THE LAST EDITION

By Adeline McElfresh
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You may get that information, Parker, but you'll never print it. I can't have my business ruined by a civic-minded paper like yours. It's going to stay a gold mine.

When Sarah Harrington, Mr. Parker's old housekeeper, went downstairs at midnight to find out why the light was still on in the study she found Joe slumped over his typewriter. There was a knife in his back.

CHAPTER I
A NASTY mixture of rain and snow was driving across Midvale as Pat Cleveland hurried along the treacherous sidewalk toward the neat brick building that housed the Midvale Express, the leading—and only—newspaper in the sleepy southern Indiana town. The sky was a leaden, November gray that seemed to hang so low that it shut Midvale away into a calm little world of its own. Only the north wind that blew in across the river was bitter.

Pat shivered involuntarily as she opened the office door and a gust of wind ushered her inside. "Let's hibernate, Elinor," she called gaily to the pretty blond girl who was a clerk in the circulation department. "Brrrr!"

But Elinor Roberts did not smile back. There was an excited, frightened look in her eyes. She beckoned to Pat.

"You look positively scared stiff, Elinor. What's wrong?" Elinor looked more frightened than ever. Her blue eyes were wider and darker than usual. She caught at Pat's coat sleeve like a drowning man grasps at a straw.

"Mr. Parker was killed last night." For a minute Pat was silent. She stared at the other girl, speechless from shock. It wasn't possible! She couldn't believe it, she wouldn't believe it.

"Dead?" she finally repeated dumbly. "Murdered?" Elinor nodded. She fumbled for her handkerchief as tears beaded her eyelashes.

Pat Cleveland didn't say any more. She couldn't—not about Joe Parker, her editor, the best friend she had ever had. She turned quickly and went to her own desk in the news room. She didn't want to be in the front office when other members of the staff came in, didn't want them to see the pain that burned in her eyes.

But she had had the same shock and felt the same pain, it wouldn't be so bad. Joe Parker was an institution in Midvale. He had owned the Express for half a century, had carved for it a place of respect in the community that few papers have. But it wouldn't be the same, ever again, either the Express or Midvale. Not to Pat, nor to the countless other persons to whom the elderly editor had given a hand during his years of service.

Perhaps, Pat thought slowly, perhaps not even to Dave Elson, the class graduate of the Express staff. But no, she scolded herself, Dave Elson would be too engrossed in

his own affairs to bother about what was happening in Midvale. Midvale was no longer "home" to the rangy young man who, after writing several successful books, had left his swanky New York friends to go into government work. Pat bit her lips . . . remembering.

"THAT'S all the police know right now, Patricia," Clem Evans, the Express sports editor, told Pat when he came in fifteen minutes later from the police station. "Joe was at his desk, writing something on that junk heap he calls a typewriter. The housekeeper's room is right over his study and she says she heard no unusual noises. She woke up around midnight and saw the light in his study was still on—she could see it shining out on the lawn—and she called down that it was time he was getting some sleep. When he didn't answer, she went down." Clem paused. "Joe was all slumped over. There was a knife in his back."

The sports writer ran a rough hand through his graying hair. His eyes were suspiciously moist. He walked over to the window and stood looking out, his hands boring into his pockets so the girl would not see the tight-clenched fists.

Pat was almost glad when her telephone rang a minute later and Josephine Billingsley informed her in a stifled voice that she had a party that "just must be in the paper this afternoon." Pat knew, of course, that the cranky spinster expected to pick up some inside news on the murder, but that was beside the point. Joe Parker would want the paper to go on—he had proved that time and time again.

Pat thanked Miss Billingsley and hung up before the other woman had a chance to question her. She rolled a sheet of copy paper into her typewriter.

"Miss Josephine Billingsley," she wrote, "entertained the members of her Sunday school class at a delightful pre-Thanksgiving party Tuesday night. The house was decorated with . . ."

Suddenly she stopped typing. She turned toward Clem Evans who was still standing at the window.

"Clem. Oh, Clem," she repeated when he didn't answer, "what was Mr. Parker working on?" Evans turned. He shook his head, puzzled. "Nobody knows, Patricia. It was gone."

"If we only knew," she murmured, half to herself. "I wonder . . . Clem, let's look in his desk

We might find something." "We can't now, Patricia," he re-reminded. "Regardless of what's happened, we have a paper to put out."

Pat turned back to her typewriter and the story about Miss Billingsley's party. "I know, Clem," she agreed. "I just thought . . ."

"Right after we go to press," the sports editor promised, "we'll have a look-see. But you know Joe Parker. He'd want the Express out on schedule."

The girl swallowed hard. She could hear the linotypes out in the composing room and there was something reassuring in their clatter. Something to hold onto in a world suddenly gone topsy-turvy.

PRESS time came and nothing had happened. Clem had again returned to the police station. There was despair in his chief when he told Pat about it. Voice Blair was slumped. He had been over the house with a fine-toothed comb, but there was nothing.

"Everything under control, Patricia!" Clem asked, glancing over her shoulder at the two-column head she was writing.

"Yep, this is the last headline." A short time later Pat was searching Parker's desk, something that, apparently, had not occurred to the police, while Clem Evans scanned the front page for mistakes.

There were packets of letters, clippings, mats and feature services, sample columns that had been sent to the paper, and loose papers that seemed to be nothing but an indescribable mess. Pat tossed aside the mats, features and columns. They didn't interest her, but the letters and miscellaneous papers did.

"Ready, Clem? I have thing, half-way sorted out." The sports editor pulled his chair over to the desk. Pat handed him a pile of letters and slips of paper.

"I feel a little guilty," she confessed, "but if we should find something . . ."

She left the sentence hanging in mid-air. There was no need to finish it for Clem Evans understood. He just nodded.

"You did a good job today, Patricia. Parker would be proud of you."

"Thank you, Clem." She smiled, still going through the papers. But the smile faded quickly as she stared at the letter she had just slid from its envelope.

"Clem!" she breathed. "Clem, look here!"

(To Be Continued)

Control of Flies Necessary In Polio Fight

(Editor's note: This is the first of a series of articles written for the purpose of giving the public information on how to prevent poliomyelitis and other diseases by sanitary measures. They are not based on theories, but are measures which have been proved by experience by communities, and especially by the armed forces.)

By MAJOR M. W. ADLER, (Post Surgeon) Pampa Field.

The extremely low disease rate in the armed forces is due to the fact that sanitary measures are rigidly observed without question.

In a civilian community however, there may be poor sanitation due to ignorance of proper sanitary measures, indifference and a tendency to "let the other fellow do it."

The first of these can be overcome by education in sanitation by newspapers, radio and in booklets. The last two can be overcome only when EVERY citizen realizes and accepts responsibility to himself and his community by learning the rules of sanitation and applying them vigorously. A good sanitary program is ALWAYS necessary, but becomes even more so when an epidemic of poliomyelitis threatens his community.

One of the most important measures in the prevention of poliomyelitis and other diseases is fly control. This is done in two ways:

1. Elimination of breeding places. Flies deposit their eggs in places where there is warmth, moisture and food. These places include food, garbage, manure, animal carcasses and trash containing boxes or cans in which food was packed. Screening of houses and outside toilets, placing of garbage and trash in containers which keep out flies, and the prompt removal of all animal carcasses will prevent breeding. Manure should either be stacked in a square or rectangular pile or should be spread over the ground in a very thin layer.

2. Killing adult flies. This is done by swatting, setting of traps (baited with peanut butter), by sprays, fly paper (presumably hung from ceiling), and fly poisons (not to be used if children are around). All food should be covered so that flies cannot reach it. Dishes and kitchen utensils should be kept away from flies also. Screens and screen doors should be kept closed and in good repair.

If EVERYONE in the community would fight flies, the number of flies would be reduced to the point where they constitute little danger to health.

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George Washington was a book collector and a devotee of the theater.

KPDN

1946 ON YOUR DIAL PAMPA NEWS STATION

MONDAY AFTERNOON
8:30—Save a Nickel Club.
9:00—Parade.
9:15—Four Notes.
9:30—Trading Post.
9:45—Our Town Forum.
9:55—News.
10:00—10-24 Ranch.
10:15—Our Town Forum.
10:30—Sports Review.
10:45—According to the Record.
11:00—Lum and Abner.
7:00—Goodnight.

MONDAY NIGHT ON THE NETWORKS
6—Fighting Coast Guard Dance Band, Blue network.
6:15—James Hilton, Author, CBS to network.
6:30—Fred Wilson, NBC to Red network.
6:45—The Longest Day, Blue network.
7—Today's War and You, CBS to network.
7:15—March of America, NBC to Red network.
7:30—Salute to Youth, NBC to Red network.
7:45—Vox Pop CBS to WABC and network.
7:55—Ford Musical Program, Blue network.
8—Adventure of Nero Wolfe, Blue network.
8:15—Gay Nineties Review, CBS to WABC network.
8:30—Alfred Wallenstein's Orchestra, NBC to Red network.
8:45—Contender, Blue network.
8:55—Theater CBS and network.
9—Doctor I. Q., NBC to Red network.
9:15—Screen Star Play, CBS to WABC and network.
9:30—Vacation Serenade, NBC to Red network.
9:45—Contented Program, NBC to Red network.
9:55—Raymond Gram Swing, Blue network.
10:15—To be announced, Blue network.
10:30—Holiday CBS to network.
10:45—Vacation Serenade, NBC to Red network.
11—Rhythm Road, Alec Templeton Time, Blue network.
11:15—I Love a Mystery, CBS and network.
11:30—Richard Harkness—NBC to Red network.
11:45—Phil Brito baritone, Blue network.
12—Leo Reisman's Orchestra, Blue network.
12:15—Echoes of the Tropics, NBC to Red network.
12:30—War news, Telephone Hour, NBC to network.
12:45—New and Dick Jurgens' Orch., CBS to WABC and network.
1—Lou Breeze's Orch. Blue network.
1:15—Russ Moran's Orch., Blue network.
1:30—Echoes from the Tropics, NBC to Red network.

TUESDAY ON KPDN
7:30—Morning Devotions.
7:45—Sagebrush Trails.
8:00—What's Behind the News with Tex DeWoe.
8:05—Musical Revue.
8:30—Early Morning Club.
9:00—Singer's Club of the Air.
9:15—What's Happening Around Pampa with Ann Clark.
9:30—Let's Dance.
9:45—News.
10:00—Musical Horoscope.
10:15—The Trading Post.
10:30—Varieties.
10:45—News.
11:00—The Border Hour.
11:15—Tune Tabloid.
11:30—Milady's Melody.
11:45—The Star Parade.
12:00—Ray Bloch and swing 14.
12:15—Lum and Abner.
12:30—News.
12:45—Shoulder to Shoulder.
1:00—Little Show.
1:15—Town Town.
1:30—Frankie Masters Entertainers.
1:45—Sing Song Time.
2:00—The Kingdom.
2:15—All Star Dance Parade.
2:30—Lum and Abner.
2:45—Invitation to Romance.
3:00—Save a Nickel Club.
3:15—Parade.
3:30—Four Notes.
3:45—Trading Post.
3:55—Marching to Music.
4:15—News.
4:30—Movieland on the Air.
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Stumbling Through

John Bovingdon, the alleged ballet dancer and Office of Economic Warfare expert, has gone, and is now in the process of being forgotten.

Why is it that no New Dealer with any reputation for consistency or dependability to maintain will publicly discuss, with a stenographer present, his methods of improving the lot of the workers by collective bargaining?

That was in 1940, and three years later Mr. Bovingdon sold his bundle of equipment to OEW at considerably more than the price of hay.

The Nation's Press

FASCIST SEED IN AMERICAN SOIL (Chicago Daily Tribune)

Judge J. Cullen Ganey of the United States District court in Philadelphia is considering the plea of Mrs. Olga Schueller, a 53 year old naturalized citizen of German descent, who was ordered by a three-man army commission last spring to move out of the eastern defense area.

She heard no more from the commission until April 26, when she got a letter telling her to leave town within 10 days. Mrs. Schueller was given no statement of charges against her.

During a hearing before Judge Ganey, one of the members of the military commission, Maj. John P. Clark, a former Supreme court judge in Arizona, told the court that the war department does not tell persons accused of being dangerous to the national defense what the charges are against them.

Apparently, in Mrs. Schueller, the army chose an inconspicuous woman by whom to set a precedent. No doubt it was hoped that because she was inconspicuous the deed could be done without attracting attention.

The military commission which ordered Mrs. Schueller from her home violated the Constitution and the Bill of Rights of the United States. The commission was created by an executive order without any color of law.

The United States Supreme court, in the ex parte Milligan opinion written in 1866, resoundingly denied the authority of court-martial and military commissions to try civilians in areas where civil courts are operating.

The Constitution of the United States is a law for rulers and people, equally in war and in peace, and covers with the shield of its protection all classes of men, at all times, and under all circumstances.

All of these rights were denied to Mrs. Schueller.

Common Ground

By R. C. MOILLEN

WHY UNRATONING OF COFFEE?

To observing people, the removal of coffee from the ration list and the announcement that the sugar supply is increasing, raises the question as to why it is that food that is largely produced outside of the United States, is becoming more plentiful than food that is produced mainly in the United States.

Just think of America being so destitute of food that most people can only find a quarter of a pound of butter at a time that can be bought.

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The columns of this paper, of course, are open for any New Dealer to explain how we can get enough food, shelter and transportation and the comforts of life by subsidies. If subsidies were a way of keeping prices down, we have for generations been foolish not to have been using this short cut in place of working and producing in order to keep the cost of living down.

Yes, there is a reason why New Dealers never discuss things publicly, where their statements can be challenged.

ier, and probably a lot more that a more detailed study of the case would expose. If Mrs. Schueller's presence in Philadelphia is a danger to the nation, the federal grand jury there can decide the facts and draw the proper indictment against her.

We have spent blood and men and money to break fascism in Italy and drive out the dictator, Benito Mussolini. This is no time to introduce fascism into America, whether thru military commissions or any other means.

ANTI-FEED-THE-WORLD LEAGUE

(L. A. Examiner—By Benjamin de Casseres)

This column's suggestion for an American Anti-Feed-the-World League brought a great many letters, all indorsing the idea enthusiastically.

I never heard of a doctrine more calculated to make bums and beggars out of millions of people. There are executive minds and immense sums of money scattered in Europe and Asia.

It sounds as if we were going to pay reparations for something or other to Germany, Italy, France, China and all the other countries that have got themselves tangled up in their usual every-quarter-of-a-century butchery.

We have, and we will have, tremendous problems to settle here—food problems, "rehabilitation" problems of industry, labor and prices. And yet it is proposed by professional philanthropists—a philanthropist is a person who gives away another person's money—that we shall give away our food supplies and billions of our hard-earned cash to peoples who should be taught to help themselves.

Yes, let's have an American Anti-Feed-the-World League.

Mail Very Early

The month from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 has been designated by the War Department as the time for Christmas mailing to soldiers serving overseas.

It is going to be an enormous task to distribute Christmas mail to two millions and more of American fighters scattered all over the globe.

If you want your service man to get a Christmas package from you, you must co-operate by mailing early and observing all regulations.

JUST A COUPLE OF HITCH-HIKERS

By R. C. MOILLEN

"I speak the pass-word primeral. I give the sign of democracy. By God I will accept nothing which is cannot have their counterpart of on the same terms."



The National Whirligig

News Behind The News

By RAY TUCKER

CHANCE — Sidney Hillman has been given command of the fourth term drive in so far as mobilization of organized labor elements will bolster that movement.

The ex-socialist from New York hopes to marshal the five largest and most powerful unions in Philip Murray's outfit. These are the automobile, steel, clothing, rubber and longshoremen's groups.

The primary purpose of the man who has enjoyed so many favors from this Administration is to forest these restive, sprawling forces from aligning themselves with the Democratic national convention.

STAKE — In his brief case as he tours the country Mr. Hillman carries blueprints of a program designed to enable the more radical wing to capture and control the rest of the party.

Teacher — Has anyone a question? Junior — Yes, ma'am. Can a short-sighted person have a far-away look in his eyes?

PRAYER OF AN ADVERTISING MAN'S CHILD: "Give us this day our daily Golden Crest, slow-baked, vitamin-enriched whole wheat bread."

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Mr. Smith — Dear, did you notice that Mrs. Jones has another new hat? John (thinking fast) — Yes, and if she were as attractive as you, honey, she wouldn't have to depend on millinery so much.

The perfect hostess needs quick wit and tact — like the Chungking matron who invited a few Americans to Thanksgiving dinner, promising them the incredible treat of turkey.

Hostess (quietly and kindly) — Never mind, Boy. Take it back to the kitchen and bring the other one.

Prohibitionist Orator — There are some who merely advocate temperance. But what I ask, is the real drink question? "Voice (from the back row) — What'll you have?"

Freshman (writing home) — Say, are there two 1's in financially? Roommate — Yes, and embarrassed is spelled with two r's and two s's.

Around Hollywood

By ERSKINE JOHNSON

Since his marriage to Ginger Rogers, Pvt. Jack Briggs of the Marines has sold two screen plays to the RKO studio.

Recommended: Tunesmith Bert Kalmar's new song, "Your Daddy and My Dad Were Buddies, Buddy."

EXCEPTION — On the eve of the Roosevelt-Churchill conference in Canada, prominent Senators have served notice on the White House and the State Department that the upper chamber will not honor or recognize any peace agreements unless they are embodied in a formal treaty and submitted to the Senate for ratification.

Seniorial representatives make only one exception. That is the arrangement for Herbert Lehman's Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation. They insist on passing on this too, but they have consented tentatively to permit its approval by a majority vote, whereas it requires two-thirds for the O. K. of a treaty.

HOLLYWOOD ABROAD

Less than 48 hours after the invasion of Sicily, local Italian theaters broke out with previously banned movies. One of the first to advertise was Humphrey Bogart's "High Sierra."

Director Roy William Neill is conferring with Walt Disney on a combination live-action animated cartoon picture titled "Franken-stein Meets Donald Duck."

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Uncle Sam May Buy Cuba's Sugar

By PETER EDSON Pampa News Washington Correspondent

Any day now, you may read an announcement that the U. S. government has made a deal with the Cubans for the purchase of Cuba's entire 1944 crop of sugar.

The making of this deal is becoming quite an annual event. This is the third year in a row that negotiations have been handled on an entire crop basis.

The Cuban sugar planters and the Cuban government sent up a delegation to do the dickering. They put up in the de luxe suites of the most expensive hotels. They are made much of at the Cuban embassy and the Cuban ambassador, Dr. Aurelio S. Conchego, takes them around to the state department to meet Secretary Hull.

When the boys get around to making their deal, there is none of this "We gotta have \$2.75, all we can pay is \$2.50, let's split it at \$2.65, okay it's a deal" stuff.

SIGNING CELEBRATED

When the deal is closed, sometimes the contract is signed in Washington, sometimes in Havana, but the custom has been established to have the contract signing announced in Havana with a great big flourish and one great big party, which is entirely justified.

The pressure is, therefore, put on the Cuban delegation to make the best possible deal for their country, to make a better deal than they made the year before, and to make it look good in any event.

Some sugar brokers and even some government officials say that the president may have been talking about too much too soon. After all, the contract for next year's Cuban crop hadn't been signed at that time and men in the sugar business, who seem to conduct their business in a couple of hours each day and then spend the rest of the time chasing down rumors and sharpening their pencils to figure them out, haven't been able to see where all this sugar is coming from, curtailed world supply, increased world demand considered.

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TOO CAT-LIKE

NEW YORK — Mrs. Reba Warner of Camden, N. J., dislikes cats. While visiting her two daughters here, she thought she heard feline footsteps in the bedroom and threw open the door prepared to emit a loud and authoritative "cat."

But she forgot all about cats and executed a flying tackle to nab a burglar crawling out of the window with a pocketbook belonging to one of her daughters.

SIDE GLANCES



Today's War Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE Associated Press Writer

While Messrs. Roosevelt and Churchill will go into conference at Quebec surrounded by an atmosphere of general success, there's a tricky military problem which may give some trouble, and that's one of time — whether there is still enough good fighting weather left this season to enable the Allies to take full advantage of Hitler's unhappy position, especially on the Russian front.

In short, the question is whether we are going to be able to get the Fuehrer with both fists while he is showing signs of being hurt, or whether the bell at the end of this round will give him a breathing spell.

Another six or eight weeks will see the weather in the European theaters going sour. Fighting will still continue, of course, but it will be greatly impeded. This will be particularly true of the air forces, which will face days at end when little or nothing can be done.

What the parity at Quebec will have to figure out is where the western Allies can best strike in the remaining good weather so as to assist the great Red drive. The Russians of course want a land front opened up in France, and the western Allies also want to get at that as soon as possible. That's the operation which would do Hitler the most harm right now. But is it feasible?

An invasion of France is a tremendous operation from every viewpoint. It will require a vast assemblage of fighting men, warships and transports, air fleets, and equipment of all sorts.

Obviously it takes time to assemble the wherewithal for such an undertaking, and the Mediterranean operations have been employing much equipment, and perhaps troops, which would be needed in England for an invasion across the channel. The Anglo-American Allies not only have great armies in the Mediterranean theatre, but at the time we invaded Sicily, we employed a fleet of more than 3,000 craft of all categories.

It takes time to move such an outfit. Unless some of it already has been shifted, in anticipation of the speedy conclusion of the Sicilian campaign, we certainly can't get much time left before the autumn weather sets in.

Speeding in Texas

Denied by Governor

AUSTIN, Aug. 16.—(AP)—Seventy-five per cent of all Texas highway traffic travels at a speed of 45 miles per hour or less, a survey of the state highway department reveals.

Governor Coke R. Stevenson announced the figures, declaring the traffic study was made to refute statements from the Dallas office of the office of price administration that "Texans are burning up precious rubber by driving at terrific speeds."

The survey further disclosed that highway travel by passenger cars, trucks and buses is now 26 per cent less than at the same time in 1941 and 16 per cent less than at the same time last year.

A breakdown of speed figures showed that 71 per cent of passenger cars drive in the same bracket and 84 per cent of trucks fall in the same category.

The statutory speed limit for daytime driving in Texas is 45 miles per hour. By proclamation the governor a year ago asked drivers not to exceed 45 miles per hour as a rubber conservation measure. The OPA has decreed a 35-miles top with possible revocation of gasoline or tire rationing for violations.

BUY VICTORY BONDS

Independent Oil Operators to Meet

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 16.—(AP)—An emergency meeting of the committee of 22 representing the 26 national oil producing organization and a session of the Independent Petroleum Association of America's executive committee will be held here today to discuss the crude oil price situation.

EPA President, Frank Buttman announced the meetings preliminary to a statement declaring that the independent producer, not the big integrated companies, are being hit by federal authorities' refusal to permit an increase in crude petroleum prices.

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