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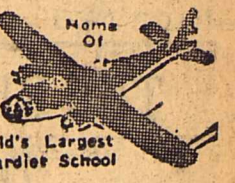
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ARGENTINA BREAKS WITH AXIS

Nazis Battle Allied Invasion Forces

U. S. Troops Storm Across Rapido River

By WES GALLAGHER

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS —(AP)—U. S. troops have stormed across the Rapido River in renewed battle for Cassino—already entered by patrols, field dispatches said—and Fifth Army invasion forces below Rome have speared deeper against "increasing resistance," it was announced Wednesday.

The Nazis apparently were pulling units back from the Cassino front to meet the great threat to their rear. It now seems certain the invasion thrust has at least cut the Apennine Way, and seriously threatens the remaining Cassino-Rome highway, perhaps having it under artillery fire.

American combat units are advancing through minefields north of Cassino after a second crossing of the Rapido River, a headquarters officer declared.

Headquarters said it had no information that Cassino yet had been taken.

French Forced Back

French troops north of the bastion town were forced from Mt. Croce by bitter Nazi counterattacks, with close fighting continuing.

While the Germans threw increasing opposition against the invasion troops who landed in the Nettuno-Anzio areas, an Allied officer said this resistance still was "comparatively light."

(Cairo radio said the Allies were 15 miles from Rome.)

The troops were spanned by another visit from Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Fifth Army commander, who expressed satisfaction with their progress.

German planes struck at the sea armadas and an official announcement declared Nazi bombers had attacked three hospital ships well (Continued on Page 2)

Admiral Land Advises Control Of Overseas Trade In Axis Ships

WASHINGTON —(AP)—The Axis powers should not be permitted to have any overseas trade in their own vessels "for a period of years" after the war, Rear Admiral E. S. Land, maritime commission chairman and war shipping administrator, has advised Congress.

In testimony on the independent offices appropriation bill for 1945, made public Wednesday, Land said proper control of the enemy's merchant marine operations was "just as necessary to maintaining a future peace as is their dismantling and the prevention of their rearming."

"With our little yellow enemies over there," the blunt-spoken admiral told the committee, "everything they have built for the past 10 years or so is a combatant ship. Don't deceive yourselves at all about that. Every tanker, every cargo ship, whatever type ship they have built, has become a combatant ship. Would ground jaws."

"If you want to have peace in the world for the next generation, you had better put the screws on these boys and keep them there a while. Let them run their rivers and harbors shipping, and the coastal shipping. But I don't think the Axis have any right to be treated as civilized human beings, and I would not let them do any flying or have any transoceanic merchant marine."

The American merchant marine, Land told the committee, will be the "ace in the hole" at the peace table. Ships, he said, are the only article of war which have "more value in peace than in war."

Forecasting a merchant fleet of from 20,000,000 to 40,000,000 tons after the war, depending on the length of the war, Land told the committee that "if we fritter it away, as we did after the last war, the blood is on our own head."

Russia Declines United States' Offer

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Secretary of State Hull announced Wednesday that Russia had rejected the offer of the United States to employ its "good offices" in restoring diplomatic relations between Poland and Russia.

The reply states, Hull said, that the Soviet government does not feel that conditions have yet ripened to a point where such good offices could be used to advantage.

WEATHER
Cloudy and slightly cooler.

Heads, 12th USAAF



Maj. Gen. John K. Cannon, above, is the new commander of the 12th U. S. Army Air Force, based on North Africa. Succeeding Lieut.-Gen. Carl Spaatz, Cannon will also head Northwest Africa tactical air force, which embraces British and other Allied planes as well as American.

Reds Charge Nazis Killed 11,000 Poles

LONDON —(AP)—The Moscow radio announced Wednesday that a special Soviet commission had found 11,000 bodies in Polish uniforms buried in the Katyn forest, 10 miles from Smolensk, and charged that they were "Polish war prisoners shot by the German invaders."

The broadcast, recorded by the Soviet Monitor, said the special commission began its inquiry Sept. 26, 1943, when Lt. Gen. Nikolai N. Burdenko of the people's commissariat of health and other members and experts arrived at Smolensk.

"The experts made a thorough in- (Continued on Page 5)

U. S. Holds Comment On Argentine Break

WASHINGTON —(P)—United States government officials made no immediate comment Wednesday as Argentina announced her long-delayed break in diplomatic relations with the Axis powers, and there appeared to be a disposition here to adopt a "wait and see" attitude pending action on related orders which normally attend such breaks.

War Bond Sales Increase Here

Bringing smiles to the faces of campaign leaders, War Bond purchases picked up here Tuesday with sales for the day totaling \$28,896.30.

This brought the total for the month to \$220,390.30, of which amount \$70,759.50 were Series E purchases.

Midland's quota in the Fourth War Loan is \$1,330,000. The Series E quota is \$385,000.

The Devonian Oil Company Tuesday purchased \$5,000 worth of bonds and Paul Nelson, manager of the J. C. Penney Company here, announced the purchase of \$4,000 worth of bonds by that concern.

Although the drive got off to a slow start, leaders are optimistic regarding the outcome of the campaign.

Good Prospects For UNRRA Fund Bill

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BATON ROUGE, LA.—(P)—Jimmie M. Davis of Shreveport polled 35,752 votes more than Lewis L. Morgan in the Jan. 18 gubernatorial primary, on the basis of "complete, final and official" returns issued from the secretary of state's office.

250,000 Germans In Peril

LONDON —(AP)—The capture of Krasnogvardeisk was announced Wednesday by Marshal Stalin in an order of the day.

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
MOSCOW —(AP)—The great Russian northern offensive has reached the two main railroads running west and south of Leningrad, cutting off approximately 250,000 Nazi troops from direct communication with the rest of the German army.

A Soviet war communique announced that Gen. Leonid A. Govorov's Leningrad army had fought its way into the strategic rail hub of Krasnogvardeisk, 30 miles southwest of Russia's second city to sever the important trunk line running west to the Estonian city of Reval. Krasnogvardeisk is also the northern terminus of a railway running southwest to Luga and Pskov. Storm Krasnogvardeisk

Govorov's troops stormed into Krasnogvardeisk from Pushkin, 14 miles to the northeast, and from dispatches reported the town, already outflanked from the east and west, was expected to fall momentarily.

Vladimirskaya, nine miles east of Krasnogvardeisk on a branch line to Tosno, junction point on the Leningrad-Moscow main railway line, was captured in this drive, while other units of Govorov's forces moved across the Leningrad-Moscow line between Tosno and Clivovo, a British radio broadcast, recorded by CBS, said Tosno's capture was expected soon.

Nazis Battle Violently

The Germans were reported battling violently to hold their grip on these main rail arteries but their use of them already has been neutralized by Govorov's swift advance, and the Nazis have been forced to fall back on two secondary lines running south to a junction with other railroads serving Luga and Pskov.

The lines, however, were simultaneously threatened by the westward advance of Gen. K. A. Meretskov's Volkov Army from Novgorod, which already is reported close to the junction points so vital to German escape plans.

The main Moscow-Leningrad railway was breached in a swift (Continued on Page 2)

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General Clark Checks On New Invasion



Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander of the Fifth Army, reads first message telling about invasion's progress after he landed on the west coast of Italy. (U. S. Army Photo via OWI-Radio from NEA Radio-Telephoto.)

Bright Future Is Predicted For Midland By Speakers At Annual Chamber Of Commerce Meeting

A bright and prosperous future for Midland if it continues to shoulder its burdens, solve its problems and keep alert to its every

Leave Of Absence Granted Collins

Directors of the Midland Chamber of Commerce at a special meeting Tuesday night, following their unanimous reelection, granted a leave of absence for the duration of the war to Bill Collins, manager, who February 9 will report for active service with the Army.

The directors also voted to pay Collins half the amount of his present salary each month he is in the armed forces.

Appoints Executive Vice President

Paul McHargue, president, pointed out to officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce that they would have to assume additional responsibilities for the duration and urged them to give more time and attention to civic matters so there would be no let up in work of the organization.

He announced the appointment of James N. Allison as executive vice president for 1944 and said Allison would work closely with him in directing affairs of the organization.

Collins thanked the directors for their confidence in him and promised that when victory is won, he will be back at his desk in the Chamber of Commerce.

Midland Gunner Is Missing In Action

Sgt. Conrad Holzgraf, 24-year-old aerial gunner, is missing in action over Germany, the War Department late Tuesday notified his mother, Mrs. Ora Holzgraf of Midland.

His sister, Dorothy, also resides in Midland.

Sergeant Holzgraf, a graduate of Midland High School, has been in the Army about three years.

Pays For Newspapers Stolen 10 Years Ago

SEATTLE —(P)—The Post-Intelligencer received this note: "Enclosed is pay for newspapers taken from one of your corner boxes 10 years ago, when I was a boy. I believe that wrongs should be righted."

The enclosure was a 50-cent money order.

Police Seek Members Big Espionage Ring

By STANLEY ROSS

BUENOS AIRES —(AP)—Argentina severed diplomatic relations with Germany and Japan Wednesday to complete belatedly a solid stand by the Western Hemisphere against the Axis.

The last of 21 republics in the Americas to break off relations with Germany and Japan, Argentina announced the action after a long night of conferences among leaders of the government of President Gen. Pedro Ramirez.

While these discussions were in progress, it also was revealed Wednesday, police were busy rounding up many persons—some reported to be members of Argentine society—in an extensive espionage ring which has been operating in the country.

President Ramirez arranged to broadcast his government's decision to the people.

Following Ramirez' signing of the decree ending relations, it was announced that the German and Japanese ambassadors would be handed their passports immediately.

British Arrest Consul

The action Wednesday, two years after most other Latin-American countries had cut their connections with the Axis, followed an announcement last week of the arrest by the British of an Argentine consul when his boat stopped at Trinidad en route to Europe.

The consul, Omar Alberto Heredia, was on his way to Barcelona, Spain, when he was removed from the boat and charged with spying.

Acting on evidence supplied by British authorities, Argentina began rounding up numerous persons implicated in the ring.

(Montevideo dispatches said the espionage ring had been working in close touch with the German and Japanese embassies in Buenos Aires.)

(Subversive activities, apparently originating in Argentina, were held responsible by the United States, Britain and other countries for the overthrow of the Bolivian government in December, Argentina alone has seen fit to recognize the new Bolivian regime headed by Major Guaberto Villamor.)

Seek To Regain Standing

(Montevideo reports said Argentina's break with the Axis was interpreted there as a last minute attempt to regain good standing among the American nations and forestall possible stern action against it by the rest of the hemisphere.)

It was said "sensational revelations" concerning the spy ring would be made.

American Airmen Sink Five Ships

CHUNGKING —(P)—Mitchell bombers of the Chinese-American wing of the U. S. 14th Air Force attacked a Japanese convoy off Fichow on the East China coast Monday and sank five vessels totaling 7,700 tons. Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters announced Wednesday.

In addition, the announcement said, a 2,700-ton freighter was damaged and a Japanese seaplane shot down.

Other Mitchells of the 14th Air Force, sweeping the sea lanes between Hongkong and Nampang Island, sank a 2,700-ton freighter, the announcement said.

All aircraft were said to have returned safely.

Mr. And Mrs. Sanders Contribute Drinking Fountain To New Park

The contribution by Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sanders of a drinking fountain to cost approximately \$400 to Midland's new city park on West Wall Street was announced by Mayor A. N. Hendrickson at the annual meeting of the Midland Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night.

The mayor said Mr. and Mrs. Sanders desired to give something to the park which would benefit rich and poor alike, and that a fountain had been decided upon.

"The drinking fountain will be of attractive design and will be erected when materials are available.

War At A Glance

By The Associated Press

ITALY—Americans renew battle for Cassino.

RUSSIA—Fall of Krasnogvardeisk to Reds imminent.

CHINA—Fourteenth Air Force sinks six Jap vessels.

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Americans down 54 Japanese planes over Rabaul.

ARGENTINA—Argentina breaks with Axis.

ROOSEVELT CALLS SENATE'S SOLDIER VOTE BILL 'FRAUD'

WASHINGTON —(P)—President Roosevelt again Wednesday stepped into the congressional wrangle over votes for soldiers with sharp criticism of a measure passed by the Senate last month and a demand for "adequate legislation."

In a message to Congress, the chief executive described the bill approved by the Senate Dec. 3 and now pending before the House as "meaningless." It would turn the whole job of implementing soldier balloting to the states.

Endorses Substitute Bills

"In considering such proposed legislation," Roosevelt declared, "a fraud on the soldiers and sailors and marines now training and fighting for us and for our sacred rights. It is a fraud upon the American people."

Endorsing substitute measures proposed by Senators Green (D-R.I.) and Lucas (D-Ill.) and by Representative Worley (D-Texas), the President said:

"What is needed is a complete change of machinery for absentee balloting, which will give the members of our armed forces and merchant marine all over the world an opportunity to cast their ballots without time-consuming correspondence and without waiting for each separate state to hold its primary, print its ballots, and send them out for voting."

Birds Foil Firemen And Spend Night At Scharbauer Hotel

The starlings didn't want a bath Tuesday night. So when the Midland Fire Department began pumping pressure into the hose, the little birds flew to the Petroleum building and waited until everything was over, and flew back down again. Each time the motors began churning the birds sailed happily away. They chatted and commented among themselves as the sprays flew into the empty trees. They seemed to think it was more fun than bathing.

Only a few of the more sleepy members of the flock were caught in the water. But they were caught only once. Many grew tired of waiting for the firemen to leave, so they flew to the Scharbauer Hotel and spent the night on the house.

"I'm going to take it up with the Hotel Owners Association," Manager A. C. Hefner said. "They can't do this to me."

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Give, and it shall be given unto you.—Luke 6:38.

Old Scars And New Wounds

This war already has begun to send back to us the inevitable sad procession of men who must bear for the rest of their lives the disfiguring scars of battle. The bitter fighting that lies ahead will add thousands to their number. They will be, as they always have been, among the most tragic victims of any war, and there is little enough that any of us can do for them.

The nurses told of the dread with which these men look forward to the first meeting with their loved ones. They urgently advised families to get a description of the soldier's wounds before they see him, and then to make every effort to conceal the distress that the first sight of him may cause.

It is hard to imagine the depth of anxiety in which the soldier awaits such a reunion. But it takes no great perception to realize that a thoughtless remark, or a sudden surrender to emotion by a mother or wife, could inflict a deeper and more lasting wound than flame or shrapnel. It is a serious thing for a family to realize how much this wounded soldier's readjustment and whole future life depend upon their first reaction, and the tact and consideration with which they try to re-establish his former way of living.

And a lesser obligation rests upon all of us. Each time anyone stares with curiosity, or turns away with aversion, he is reopening the wound and making it harder for that disfigured soldier to return to the everyday life which he left as a hale and handsome youngster.

It will be hard to meet these men without self-consciousness. It will be easy to see the scars and forget how they were received. But we should all make up our minds that our duty of consideration to these victims of war is not going to end when peace again becomes a habit, and heroes are forgotten.

C. I. O. Gloom-Gathering

The C. I. O. political action committee held a rather gloomy meeting in New York the other day. What engendered the gloom was not the fact that the attorney general has announced an immediate investigation of the committee's purposes and funds. Rather, the long faces resulted from several speakers' apprehensive views of our post-war economy.

What alarmed them particularly was Alfred P. Sloan's estimate of a national peace-time income of \$100,000,000,000, which the head man of General Motors made at a recent National Association of Manufacturers convention.

Sidney Hillman, the committee chairman, pointed out that victory would find us with a national income of \$150,000,000,000, and with 10 million servicemen needing jobs in private industry.

"A drop in national income to \$100,000,000,000," he said, "would immediately give us an unemployed army of 10 to 15 million American workers. It would ruin our farmers, throw thousands of businessmen to the wall, and catapult us down a spiral of deflation that would make the crash of 1929 feel soft as a featherbed."

There are too many unpredictables, of course, for Hillman or Sloan or anyone else to draw in advance an accurate picture of business immediately after victory. But Hillman's dismal panorama seems a bit overdone. To be sure, a \$100,000,000,000 national income would be a 33 1/3 per cent drop from our present level. But it is also 24 per cent above our pre-war level of \$76,000,000,000 in 1940 (when considerable war production was already underway), 30 per cent over the last purely peacetime year of 1939, and 18 per cent higher than the previous top of \$82,000,000,000 in the lush and cockeyed year of 1929.

Perhaps Hillman figures that there is nothing inflated about our present wartime income. Perhaps he feels that billions spent for productive civilian goods and services are no more of an economic stimulant than billions spent on military expendables. If he's right, then there is cause for gloom. But such premises, which seem to go with Hillman's prognosis, are open to question.

Not that there isn't plenty to worry about. The problems of industrial reconversion and manpower rehabilitation must be solved quickly and wisely as a basis for any income speculation. And their solution is a vast and complex job that will demand the co-operation of Hillman, Sloan, and all the best minds in industry, labor and government.

It is the best way that job is done, not the predictions of Alfred Sloan or Sidney Hillman, that will determine our immediate post-war income.

Post-War Plans

A recent survey by Fortune Magazine on post-war buying plans reveals that what the American people want above all else are a new car and a home of their own.

Amongst all the hurly-burly of war, there apparently burns within our national breast the steadfast if somewhat conflicting desire to go places and to stay put.

Enjoying your work is the way to get fun out of it. Loafers can't see the joke.

One rule of success is "keep at it"—and can be wisely applied to the purchase of War Bonds.



Geological Speaker Helping To Train Men In U. S. Army

Dr. Sam H. Knight, speaker for the West Texas Geological Society Wednesday night at Midland High School, is directing courses of instruction in geology for large groups of soldiers of the United States Army stationed at the University of Wyoming.

Humble -

Ellenburger, according to last report. Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 234 Walton in Winkler County, had drilled below 9,157 feet in lime. Stanolind Oil & Gas Company and Shell Oil Company, Inc., No. 2 Blair East Winkler County extension effort, had reached 8,597 feet in chert.

Stanolind No. 1-2 University had reached 5,539 feet in lime. Stanolind No. 1 Logson, north of the Fullerton, was drilling ahead past 4,305 feet in anhydrite and lime.

Humble No. 1 McKean & Eilers, between the main Fullerton and the recent east extension, had made hole below 4,968 feet in lime. Stanolind No. 1 Gibson, Northwest Hockley County wildcat, had penetrated to 4,639 feet and was going in to core.

Hickok & Reynolds No. 1 Bain Price, prospector in Northwest Yoakum County was drilling below 4,920 feet. Continental Oil Company No. 1-A Jones, Northwest Gaines County exploration, was digging past 11,266 feet in lime and chert.

Humble No. 1 Cox, in West Gaines, had recovered a big fishing job for drill-pipe and other tools, and was boring ahead under 10,771 feet in lime.

Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1 Price, Southeast Pecos County extra-deep exploration, had drilled to 12,957 feet and was still going ahead.

Phillips No. 1 University was drilling under 4,880 feet. Phillips No. 1 Pascoe, semi-wildcat in the Owego area had progressed to 3,284 feet.

Phillips No. 1 Callan, Schleicher County wildcat, was boring under 5,826 feet.

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Amarrage license has been issued at the county clerk's office to Leslie Lee Roy Strickland, and Mary Ellen Hollums.

County Attorney Addresses Lions

"The Story of Sam Bass and his Career of Crime" was reviewed by County Attorney Joe Mims at the meeting of the Midland Lions Club in Hotel Schreiber Wednesday noon. Mims was introduced by Frank Monroe, program chairman.

Midland Airmen In Rabaul Raid

NEW GEORGIA, SOLOMON ISLANDS—(AP)—Marine Major Gen. Ralph Mitchell, commander of the Allied Air Force in the Solomons, described Sunday's bomber attack on Rabaul as "one of the most effective ever completed in this area and undoubtedly one of the best coordinated raids since the war began."

Coyotes Howl

SANTA FE, N. M.—(AP)—If the coyote howling bothers New Mexico ranches this year more than usual, they can blame it on the war. State Game Warden Elliott Barker says coyotes are increasing because war jobs and the armed services have taken most of the trappers. The state employs trappers but "they are no more than a drop in the bucket compared with the need," Barker commented.

Modern first aid practice has been traced back to the "Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem," founded nearly 900 years ago in England to give aid to pilgrims on the way to the Holy City.

Government Halts Revolution Move

ASUNCION, PARAGUAY—(AP)—The government announced it frustrated an attempted revolution at dawn Wednesday. A communique from the ministry of interior said units of the disbanded Liberal party and allied organizations tried to take possession of police headquarters and barracks.

Attu Peaches Arrive In Fall

AN ALUTSIANS BASE—(AP)—The first American women living on Attu, since the recovery of that outermost island from the Japs, are called the "pilgrim peaches." The group of eight Navy nurses under Lt. Judith Wilson, former of Anchorage, Alaska—arrived on the island Thanksgiving Day.

Mother Will Have To Take Dictation

KNOXVILLE, TENN.—(AP)—They are never too young—or so say a couple of soldiers visiting here. The two knocked on the door of Mrs. Robert John's home and asked for Suzie. Mrs. John said she would call her daughter. The GIs explained that they had got Miss Suzie John's name from two cartons of cigarettes given them at a Red Cross Christmas celebration.

So Mrs. John called Suzie—aged two. After gulping slightly, the GIs became quite fond of Suzie, promised to visit her again, and asked her to write.

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U. S. Troops -

outside the invasion zone, sinking one of them. All three were sighted and carried Red Cross markings. Warplanes Blast Supply Route
Allied planes in powerful numbers concentrated on slashing at enemy supply routes and troops between the Fifth Army front and the new beachhead, and the main line between Florence and Rome, which the Germans must use to get reinforcements to the Rome area.

The Allies flew 1,100 sorties over the beachhead Tuesday, compared with 60 by the Nazis. An American naval officer said the enemy attacks were causing "some trouble" however.

He disclosed that Allied warships, including French, had heavily bombarded the road between Terracina and Frosinone by daylight Monday, and made diversionary bombardments along the coast. Sunday night, Allied motor torpedo boats attacked a German lighter convoy northwest of Rome, setting an escorting E-boat afire.

British Take Mt. Ceracole
British troops on the western coastal end of the Fifth Army line attacked and occupied Mt. Ceracole, two miles west of Castellana.

It was considered likely that the Allied advance below Rome had been so rapid the Germans do not know exactly how large the bridgehead has become, and headquarters is withholding that news until the Germans determine it by actual patrol clashes.

Patrol forays marked the Eighth Army front on the Adriatic. Indian troops killed 20 Germans in one patrol, and took prisoners.

Flying Fortresses bombed a railway bridge at Pedaso and one over the Vomano River, both on the Adriatic coast. Other planes bombed Civita Castellana and strafed railway cars near Simgigliano north of Rome, hit the road junction at Velletri northeast of Nettuno, and shot up a locomotive and eight railway cars at Ceccano.

Police Want Hot Tip To Find Cold Crook
DENISON, TEXAS—(AP)—Police Wednesday were looking for a hot tip for solution of a hot job pulled by a thief at the Union Bus Terminal here. Someone stole the heating stove in the men's rest room.

Only Promotion Can Aid Navy Nurse
POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—(AP)—Only a promotion or a change of name can help out Ensign Louise Ensign, Navy nurse corps officer from nearby Dover Plains.

Willing To Slave To Sell War Bonds
CASTLEFORD, IDAHO—(AP)—To aid the War Bond drive, bus driver Fritz Bybee offered to do a day's chores for the highest bidder.

He was "knocked down" by farmer Albert Heller for \$2,500 in War Bonds.

Eight essentials of international power are food, coal, oil, iron ore, steel, machinery, chemicals, power.

Midland Homes Are Being Burglarized
Burglars have entered many Midland homes! Are you protected with Residence Burglary and Outside Theft Insurance? This new policy provides much broader coverage both on and off the premises, and gives protection against proven theft and mysterious disappearance of insured property. For complete information see Percy Mims or Claude Crane.—Adv.

Free Bobby Pins Offered Waitress
LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Sign in a restaurant window: "Waitress wanted: good wages—free meals—free bobby pins!"

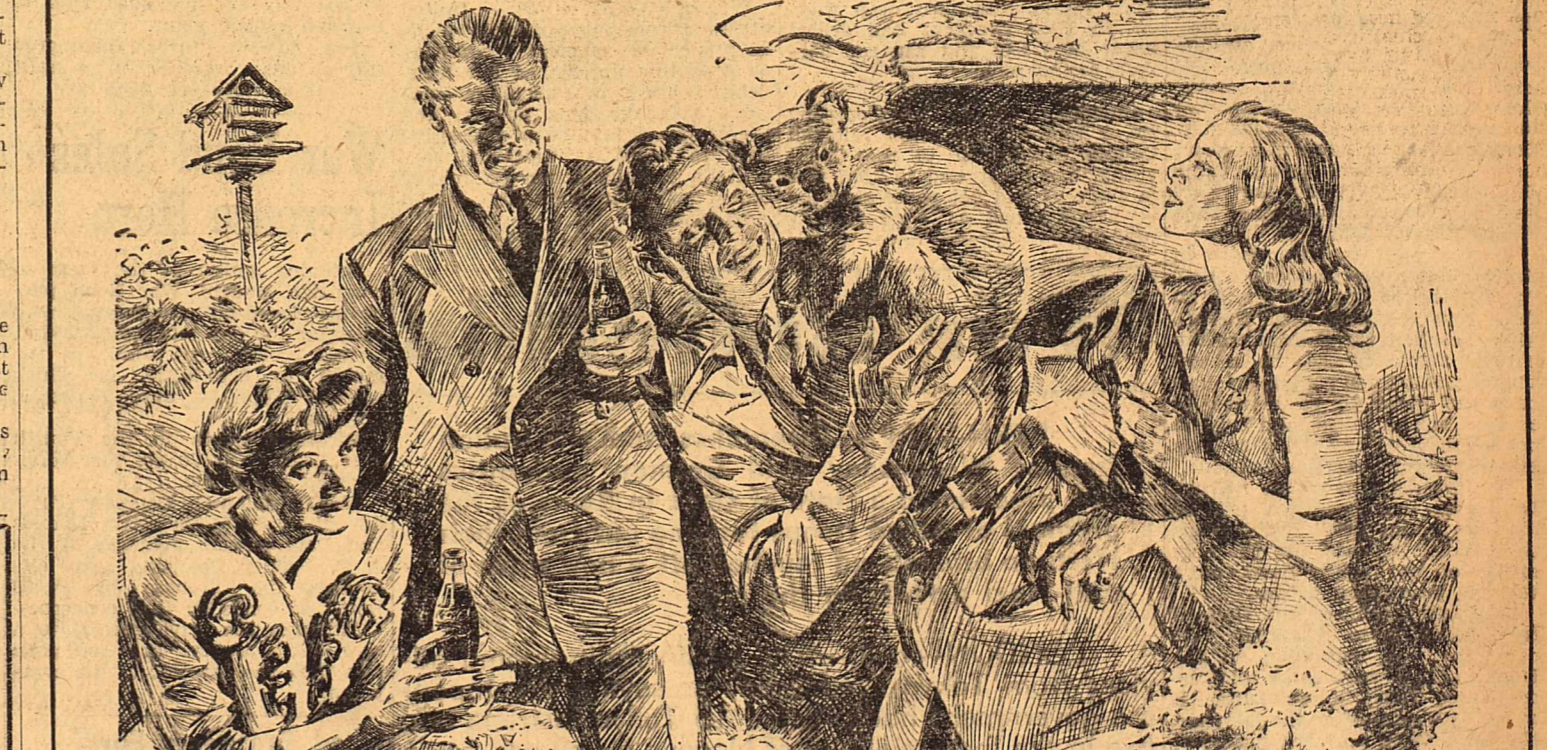
MOTORISTS ARE URGED TO DISPLAY NEW TABS
AUSTIN—(AP)—Texas motorists were urged Wednesday to make those 1944 registration tabs little but loud.

Announcing that the tabs this year will be two inches by two inches, to conserve metal, the state highway department requested that they be displayed as prominently as possible on the large 1942 plate.

The 1944 registration year begins April 1.

Nearly half of the world's land area is largely uninhabitable because of deserts, mountains, ice or tundra.

Have a "Coke" = Meet a new friend



... or how to relax on leave
What more friendly way to welcome a soldier to a family gathering than the three short words: Have a "Coke". It says, *We're happy you're here.* And there's no better way to show it than to be sure you have Coca-Cola in your icebox ready to offer its refreshing hospitality. From "down under" to back in the U. S. A., Coca-Cola stands for the pause that refreshes,—has become the symbol of friendly folks the world over.



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Society

MAAF Post Chapel Ceremony Unites Soldier And Bride

Miss Elizabeth Jane Paige of Akron, Ohio, became the bride of Cadet James A. Soesbe of Midland Army Air Field Saturday evening in the post chapel. Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey read the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Paige of Akron. She attended Bechtel High School at Akron and Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. Her bridal dress was gold wool with brown and gold accessories. Her corsage was carnations.

Mrs. Clarence Yankovic of Pittsburgh was matron of honor. Her dress was of pastel crepe and her corsage was red carnations.

Clarence Yankovic was best man. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Soesbe of Clinton, Iowa, now in graduate school at St. Mary's High School at Clinton.

Women's Circle To Sew For Dallas Home

Members of the Rijnhardt Circle of the Women's Council of the First Christian Church have decided to begin next week sewing one day each week for the Juliette Fowler Home in Dallas. They met in the home of Mrs. Iva E. Hood Monday.

Mrs. Charles Sherwood led the devotional which opened the program and Mrs. C. E. Besancon talked on "Changes in Religious Thought In The Last Quarter Century." Mrs. Joe Norman conducted a group discussion on a series of questions found in "World Call," council publication.

Those in attendance were Mrs. W. E. Price, Mrs. Sherwood, Mrs. Al Boring, Mrs. Woody Elkin, Mrs. Glen Brunson and Mrs. H. G. Bedford.

Warfield 4-H Club Has Demonstration At Meet

Miss Alpha Lynn, county home demonstration agent, gave a demonstration on the care and cleaning of sewing machines when Warfield 4-H Club girls met Monday in the home of Mrs. A. J. Norwood.

A short business meeting followed the demonstration and a refreshment course was served to Lelia Norwood, Janie Manning, Mary and Nadine Manning, Doris Wilson, Sammy Swails and Miss Lynn.

Ration Calendar

By The Associated Press

Meats, fats, etc.—Book three brown stamps B, S, T and U valid through Jan. 29; stamp V valid through Feb. 26.

Used fats—Each pound of waste fat is good for two meat-ration points.

Processed foods—Book four green stamps G, H and J good through Feb. 20.

Sugar—Book four stamp 30 good for five pounds through March 31.

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Gasoline—10-A coupons good for three gallons each, will expire March 21.

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5:55 A.M.	8:30 A.M.
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6:55 A.M.	9:30 A.M.
7:25 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
7:55 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
9:30 A.M.	1:30 P.M.
1:00 P.M.	2:40 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	3:40 P.M.
2:55 P.M.	3:35 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	4:10 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	5:10 P.M.
4:45 P.M.	5:20 P.M.
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5:45 P.M.	6:29 P.M.
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8:05 P.M.	8:40 P.M.
9:30 P.M.	10:00 P.M.
10:30 P.M.	11:00 P.M.
11:30 P.M.	12:20 A.M.

Buses Saturday every 30 minutes from 12:30 p.m. until 2 a.m. Sunday. Last bus 2 a.m. Sunday. Phone 500.

Gideon Camp Plans February Meeting

The first regular meeting of the new Midland Gideon Camp will be Feb. 27 at the Scharbauer Hotel. Distributions of Bibles in Midland hotels, offices and Army fields will be planned at that time.

Charter members of the Midland camp include Percy Mims, Barney Grafia, M. C. Ulmer, Yates Brown, C. G. Murray, Roy McKee, Eddie C. Conner, Joe W. Erickson, Jack O. Jones and Arnold P. Scharbauer. Ned Watson, the Rev. Vernon Yearby and the Rev. R. M. Hoeker are associate non-voting members. Temporary officers elected to serve until April are: Mims, president; Grafia, secretary; Ulmer, treasurer, and Jones, Bible secretary.

Country Club Plans Dance For Members

The entertainment committee of the Midland Country Club has requested members of the club to contact E. M. Funkhouser, committee chairman, if they plan to attend the informal dance at the clubhouse Saturday night. Due to wartime restrictions, considerable planning is necessary for the breakfast which will follow the dance.

The affair will be the first of several planned for club members this year. Jack Cecil will furnish the music and a large number of members are expected to attend.

Study Club Talks Of Peace Plans

Mrs. Gene McCollum and Mrs. Ross Carr were elected president and vice president respectively of the Twentieth Century Study Club when it met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. B. Koehnig.

Mrs. Frank Monroe led the panel discussion on "Proposals for World Peace." The contrast of old and new ideas on this subject were pointed out. World organization as the only alternative to war, and the good and bad points of present proposals of peace also were discussed.

"United Nations of the World" was outlined by Mrs. J. W. Erickson. The need of a lasting charter for mutual protection among nations, and the new idea as opposed to the League of Nations was studied.

Mrs. Harlan Howell told of plans for an "Anglo-American League of Nations" which would unite English speaking people with a central government for coordination of mobilization and production. It was pointed out that such a plan would tend to separate us from Latin-American countries and have a tendency to lead to warfare.

Mrs. Howard Talks was the topic chosen by Mrs. Russell Howard. To be effective, this plan might lead other nations of the world to fear Anglo-American domination and result in distrust among nations.

"Pan Americana" was discussed by Mrs. G. B. Rush, who showed that while advocates of this theory believe we would give a just and equal treatment to the world, it is definitely opposed to our own idea of self government and would tend to divide the people of our own country.

In the round table talks, it was decided, when peace comes, some plan must be put into effect which will give hope and courage for a peaceful future for all mankind.

Members present were Mesdames J. W. Erickson, R. L. Gray, Russell Howard, Harlan Howell, Gene McCollum, Joe Mims, Frank Monroe, Jerry Phillips, G. B. Rush, W. E. Shipp Jr., R. P. Simpson, R. E. L. Taylor, R. L. Alkin, Ross Carr, J. E. Banks, Carl Peay and the hostess.

Miss Weaver Joins High School Faculty

Miss Josephine Weaver of Texas City has joined the Midland High School faculty as teacher of American history and civics. She has a master's degree from the University of Texas.

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Wallace Jackson Wins Top Honors At Abilene College

Wallace Jackson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson, has been elected one of five men "favorites" at Abilene Christian College. In the election of school favorites, five men and five women were chosen, with Jackson ranking among the men.

Those elected will appear in the "Favorite" section of the Prickley Pear, school annual.

Jackson, outstanding in school activities, is working toward his degree by majoring in the school of drama. He is president of the Melipomenian Players Club and Alpha Psi Omega honor dramatic society.

He has carried the male lead in four out of five of the school's plays. During the last two years he has been announcer at the college radio station KRBC. His other activities include president of the Pickwickian, creative writers club, and president of the senior class. He was selected by the faculty to appear in "Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities" as well as the school's annual Who's Who.

France honors its gastronomic heroes and heroines. In a village near Grasse is a monument to the inventor of epoch meals; the creator of camembert has a statue at Vimoutiers; Madame Poulard, an omelette maker, is enshrined at Mont St. Michel.

Valley View Votes Added Red Cross Work

"My Organization and how I Should Help." Was the lesson topic when the Valley View Club met at the school house Tuesday afternoon.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Dwight McDonald, Mrs. J. D. Bartlett, Mrs. Jim Baker and Mrs. I. J. Howard.

Work was completed on the quilt for the Red Cross and workers voted to meet in all day sessions hereafter in order to do more sewing for the Red Cross.

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Coming Events

THURSDAY

The Red Cross surgical dressing rooms in the county courthouse will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon and from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.

The Creative Arts Group of the American Association of University Women will meet at 8 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Leonard C. Thomas, 1106 West Missouri.

FRIDAY

The Belmont Bible Class will meet at 3 p. m. in the Scharbauer Building of the First Methodist Church.

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SATURDAY

The Treble Clef Juvenile Music Club will meet at 9 a. m. in the Watson Music Studio.

The Estrellita Orchestra will meet at 1:45 p. m. in the Watson Music Studio.

The Midland County Library will be opened from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Holland-Baker Vows Exchanged In Home Of Lt. G. K. Eifer

Before an improvised altar of greenery and white satin lighted with white tapers, Miss Jeanette Baker of Sikeston, Mo., became the bride of Dan Edward Holland Friday evening in the home of Lt. and Mrs. G. K. Eifer. The Rev. W. Carl Clement, Methodist pastor, officiated.

The bride wore a pastel blue street dress with black accessories and her corsage was cyclamen and white carnations. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Baker Jr. of Sikeston and is a graduate of Sikeston High School.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed J. Holland of Abilene and is a graduate of Abilene High School and the University of Texas. He is a geologist for the Bay Petroleum Company of Midland.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Eifer attended the couple. Mrs. Eifer wore a pink trimmed black dress with a blue iris corsage.

The couple will reside in Midland. Following the ceremony a reception was held for friends of the bride and bridegroom. Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Gomer, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Erickson, Richard Gile, Merle Cornelius, Ensign Marjorie Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Cary P. Butler, Mrs. Annabelle Walker, Mrs. Louella Edwards and Wayne Ashmore.

Verdi's Opera Is Music Club Topic

A nominating committee was selected when the Civic Music Club met Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Eugene Vanderpool. The committee is composed of Mrs. George Grant, Mrs. W. D. Robinson and Mrs. Vanderpool.

The club reviewed Italy and Italian music. Mrs. Delbert Downing led the historical sketch and Verdi's "Rigoletto" was studied. The following numbers from the opera were studied: "Introduction and Minuet," "Questa O' Questa," "E Il Sol Dell' Amira," "Caro Nome," "On! Mischief Bent," "Città Le Festé," "La Donna E Mobile" and "Bella Figlia Dell' Amore."

Those attending the meeting were Miss Edith Conyers, Mrs. Lee Cornelius, Mrs. F. C. Cummings, Mrs. Downing, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Edmond Hitchcock, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Vanderpool, Mrs. Joe Mims, and a visitor, Mrs. Randle.

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Patsy Boone Favored At Farewell Courtesy

To honor Miss Patsy Boone, who will leave soon to make her home in New Mexico, Joan and Vera Williams entertained in their home south of Midland Sunday.

A dinner was served at noon and during the afternoon outdoor and indoor games were played.

Those attending the event, beside the honoree, included Doris Nell Adams, Doris Merritt, Rosie Hart, Lewis and Ray Williams, Melba Merritt, Jay Pat Merritt, Betty O'Neal, Leslie Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and Mrs. John Blecker.

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WTCC Manager Seeks Equal Freight Rates

WASHINGTON — (AP) — D. A. Bandeen, manager of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, planned to hold preliminary conferences Wednesday with members of transportation and communication committee of the national chamber, whose support is sought in a program endorsing uniformity in class rates and classifications in the rail freight rate structure.

Bandeen will testify formally before the committee Thursday.

Congress has been urged by the West Texas Chamber to enact legislation establishing a uniform freight rate structure, eliminating the present zone rating system under which rates in the Southwest are approximately 175 per cent of the rates prevailing in industrial Eastern states.

TWO FLIERS ARE KILLED IN CRASH IN HOSPITAL YARD

HOUSTON — (AP) — An instructor and a cadet, whose names were not announced immediately, were killed Tuesday night when their twin-engine plane plunged into the yard of the Houston Tuberculosis Hospital.

The plane exploded and burned.

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WPB Representative Will Visit Midland

Norvel W. Harris, analyst for the El Paso district office of the War Production Board, will visit Midland Friday morning to confer with citizens in regard to priorities and other WPB matters. He will be at the Chamber of Commerce from 9 a. m. until noon.

Roosevelt Awards Medal To MacArthur

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA — (AP) — President Roosevelt awarded Gen. Douglas MacArthur the Distinguished Service Medal for successes in New Guinea and New Britain on the Southwest Pacific commander's 64th birthday Wednesday.

The President said in his citation that MacArthur has "established his forces in positions favorable for continuation of offensive operations" in the war to drive the Japanese from their island bases in this sector.

The medal was awarded on behalf of the President by Major Gen. Richard J. Marshall, deputy chief of staff.

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Texas Drys Plan Local Option Fight

DALLAS — (AP) — Resumption of whisky manufacture and the use of food commodities for making beer and wine were opposed in resolutions adopted here Tuesday at the biennial convention of the United Texas Drys.

The Rev. Walter H. McKenzie, executive secretary of the group, outlined a program for drying up Texas under local option.

"We'll accept the challenge of the wets who dare us to use the local option method," he declared. "Some day we're going to turn off the hydrant in Texas."

About 100,000 tons of shipping a year are required to transport a division of 20,000 men with arms, equipment and stores to keep it supplied 1,000 miles overseas from England.

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Gideon Planish

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CAPT. HETH GISHORN, the distinguished young explorer, was by birth an Englishman but, like most of the English, he did not look very English. He was smooth and solid and square, with a thick white skin which never looked tanned, and he carried a monocle but used his spectacles.

His voice was caressing and unpleasant. He was given to double-breasted blue jackets, which looked pressed even when they were wrinkled. And for a man of action, who was presumably always leading caravans somewhere with camels, he was surprisingly business-like, being the president, executive secretary, and sole beneficiary of the Association to Promote Eskimo Culture, Inc., New York City.

"Dr. Stern tells me that you are experienced in organizational activities," Captain Gishorn said civilly, in his office.

"Oh, yes—yes," Dr. Planish put his finger tips together and tried to look even more efficient than he was hungry. "Getting out circular letters, both appeals for funds and morale-boosting; addressing assemblies, especially of women, both in the drawing room and in hotel ballroom meetings; getting concessions and a fair price from hotel banquet managers—I needn't tell you that if you charge the guests \$5 for a philanthropic dinner, you don't know your business if you actually pay the hotel one cent more than \$1.65; keeping lists of prospects right up to date as regards both changed addresses, present financial standing, and susceptibility to emotional appeal; wangling publicity in the newspapers and on the radio; making all organization literature and interviews a nice mixture of optimism and warnings about the menace to the American Way of Life—"

"Yes, I think I may honestly say I know the whole routine of scientific philanthropy," Captain Gishorn shook his head.

Dr. Planish looked at Miss Cantlebury and sighed. She seemed faded but companionable.

"Doctor, do you mind if I sit down and smoke a cigaret, now the Big Noise has gone?" she said.

"Why, no. I'll share one with you."

She sat at the Captain's desk, read one or two of his love letters, and murmured, "Look, Doctor. Let me know what I can do to get you started in this racket. From long experience, I'd say you were probably a good guy. Anything I can tip you off on?"

"Yes, there is, Miss Cantlebury. Of course I know organizational work in general, but I don't happen to have worked much with Eskimos. What are the best books on the subject?"

"What would you want to read books for, in this joint?"

"Naturally, Captain Gishorn doesn't need to, but then he's studied the Northern peoples first hand—"

"Listen, Doctor, there isn't any Santa Claus, and you're getting a big boy now. Fact is, ever since his boyhood in England, the only time Cap Gishorn ever spent in any country north of Bangor, Me., was one day in Nova Scotia and one in Iceland and two days in Norway, on a Midnight Sun cruise in 1926."

"What do we actually do to help the Eskimos?"

"Do? Honest, Doc, the Seven Dwarfs are dead. Well, we send 600 bucks a year to the First Day Antinomian Church Mission in Greenland. And that's all we do—except, of course, the real purpose of any organization: pay your salary and mine and pay the rent, so you and I won't have to spend the snowy days in the Grand Central waiting room. What's left over, say 62 per cent, goes to Capt. Heth Gishorn for his carnation and his girls and his Napoleon brandy."

As Miss Cantlebury kept the books, the Doctor was able to have his salary adjusted to \$60 a week without bothering Captain Gishorn about it. He took a small new flat, far up in the Bronx, and sent for Peony and Carrie before Christmas.

(To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
America's Card Authority
(Third of a series of six articles selecting the All-American bridge team for 1943.)

Sidney Sidor of Philadelphia is No. 3 on the 1943 All-American contract bridge team. His record for the year includes the winning of the world championship Masters team-of-four, the national mixed team-of-four, and national open board-a-match team-of-four. He was second in the world championship Masters pair event and accumulated 206 Master points during the year.

North's jump on the first round of bidding in today's hand was a little optimistic and resulted in Sidor getting into seven. When

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♥ J 8	♥ 9 4 3
♦ Q 8 3	♦ J 10 9 7
♣ K 9	♣ J 10 7 4

Dealer

South West North East

1 ♠ 2 ♥ 3 ♠ Pass

4 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass

5 ♠ Pass 6 ♠ Pass

6 ♥ Pass 6 ♠ Pass

7 ♠ Pass Pass Pass

Opening—♥ K 26

Tennessee Pig Wanted A Shave

WITH THE SECOND ARMY IN TENNESSEE—(P)—Corp. Theodore Van Dam of New York City saw six pigs stampeding toward his tent. The leading one foamed at the mouth. Van Dam fled, shouting "mad pig, mad pig!" Next morning, after the corporal had been commended for sounding the alarm, he prepared to shave. He found his shaving cream tube had been chewed open and licked clean.

PRISONER HANGS HIMSELF IN GILMER, TEXAS, JAIL

GILMER, TEXAS.—(P)—Monroe Monk, 43, in jail here under indictment, hanged himself in a cell Tuesday, Deputy Sheriff A. H. Bland said.

Monk, charged with attacking his 11-year-old daughter, had been scheduled to go on trial Feb. 2.

As late as the end of the 18th century, Scots and Irish buried their butter deep in the peat bogs for aging and flavoring, for seven years.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE —with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY —By J. R. WILLIAMS

YEP AMO GOOD THERE STIFF AS A TINTYPE AN LET THAT LITTLE FELLER (ABOUT SO HIGH) TAKE HIS BADGE. THEN I HADDA HALF CARRY HIM HOME HE WAS AS LIMP AS AN EMPTY SOCK!

WHAT WERE YOU DOING WHILE THIS MIDGET WAS WAVING THE LEAD ATOMIZER, FIXING YOUR TIE?

JAKE'S PLAYING HIS OWN PART PIANISSIMO! HE'S CHILLY-HOOF TOO, BUT IT'S STILL A FULL-QUART LAUGH!

BAH! POLTROON!

JAKE WAS TYING HIS SHOE

TAIN'T LIKE IN OUR DAY! WE COULD TELL 'EM APART WITHOUT EAR TAGS MICRO-METERS AN' BLUE PRINTS - WE KNEW CATTLE!

WHO COULDN'T, WHEN THEY LOOKED LIKE EVERYTHING FROM A GERM TO A GORILLA AND EVERY COLOR KNOWN! COLORED HATRACKS WITH SIGNS ON - WHO COULDN'T TELL 'EM?

TWO SIDES TO THAT! THEN THERE WAS SO MUCH HOOP AN' HORNS YOU WASN'T PAR, IN WITH MUCH-NOW THEY GO INTO DEEP MOURNIN' WHEN THEY SELL ONE!

THE PETS

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

HM-MM - PUST CARD FER OL' EPH HOBBS

FROM MAMIE LOU! WANTS 'IM TO VISIT 'ER IN TH CITY

HEY, EPH! Y'GOT A PUST CARD AT TH PUST OFFICE FROM MAMIE LOU INVITIN' YEW TO TH CITY

WAL, I KNOW, THET'S DAN HORSPITABLE OF MAMIE LOU

THANKS MOSE

buy MEAD'S fine BREAD

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

SHE SITS LIKE THAT FOR HOURS!

MY GOSH, HILDA, SINCE THAT DROOP CAME TO TOWN, ALL YOU DO IS MOON!

DON'T BREAK THE SPELL - IT'S JUST TOO, TOO DEVASTATING!

PHOOEY! HIM AND HIS GOLDEN TONSILS! WHAT'S HE GOT THAT I HAVEN'T GOT?

I DON'T KNOW - BUT WHEN HE SINGS SO ROMANTICALLY, HE SENDS ME!

AND WHEN HE SENDS ME, THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO BRING ME BACK!

WASH TUBBS

THIS WAY WITH THAT STRETCHER, MEN!

EASY! WHERE ARE YOU HIT?

ARE YOU HURT BADLY, OLD FELLOW?

WHO ME?

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NO WANT CANDY?

IT'S PLAIN ALL RIGHT, EH? GEE, BOYS, TH'S FINE!

ARE YOU GOIN' TO BACK OUT ON A PROMISE, LITTLE BEAVER?

I--I--UH--ME? NO--ME GO!

FINE! I'LL SADDLE TH' HORSES!

I'M AFRAID, MEDICINE MAN, BUT CAN'T TELL DOT'S STUFF, 'CAUSE ME FAKE INDIAN PICTURES!

ALLEY OOP

SEEN YOU I'LL SAY WERE GLAD... A GOOD STRONG LINK WE NEED RIGHT BAD!

AN' I'M GLAD TO BE BACK! BUT YOU GOT MIGHTY LIKE TO GOT HURT JUMPIN' FOLKS LIKE THAT! WHATS TH' BIG IDEA?

WELL, IT'S BEEN UP TO US, SINCE POP GOT NABBED, BOYS, TH'S FINE!

OH, SO SHE'S ALL RIGHT, EH? GEE, BOYS, TH'S FINE!

YEH, SHE COMES NOW, GLAD T' SEE YOU, LINK, AN' NOW.

ALLEY OOP!

HEY, NOW! MY GOSH, FEL, TAKE IT EASY. I JUST CAME TO SEE WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THEM GORILLAS GRABBIN' FOOTY!

I'VE NEVER BEEN SO GLAD TO SEE ANYBODY IN MY WHOLE LIFE!

WHY MUST THERE ALWAYS BE MUSH AN' STUFF, HULLY GEE!

Huns Are Saving Strength For Stand On German Soil

By HAL V. BOYLE
AN ADVANCED AMERICAN AIR BASE IN ITALY—(P)—Maj. Gen. Joan K. Cannon, whose tactical Mediterranean Air Force flew 1,400 sorties in one day to disrupt German communications to the new Allied front south of Rome, declared "The Hun always reacts according to form and he must and will attack our new beachhead."

In his first general press conference since assuming his larger duties, Cannon added:

"The Luftwaffe still packs a wallop, but it is definitely whipped in this area. The German is now avoiding combat against our fighters in the Mediterranean area to conserve his resources. But when we get into Germany, he is going to put up a hell of a fight."

"The Germans haven't increased their air force in Italy materially since last August. We want to wipe the Luftwaffe out of the skies, but the Hun knows his only chance of survival is to keep out of Germany. That is why he is avoiding fighter combat and trying to stop our bombers."

"Despite the fact that the Germans have been concentrating for months in production of more fighters, they have been unable to build up their fighter strength materially."

A measure of Allied superiority was indicated by the fact that while the RAF and American air force flew 1,400 sorties daily over the Rome beachhead, enemy sorties dropped from 80 on the first day to 17 the next.

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson

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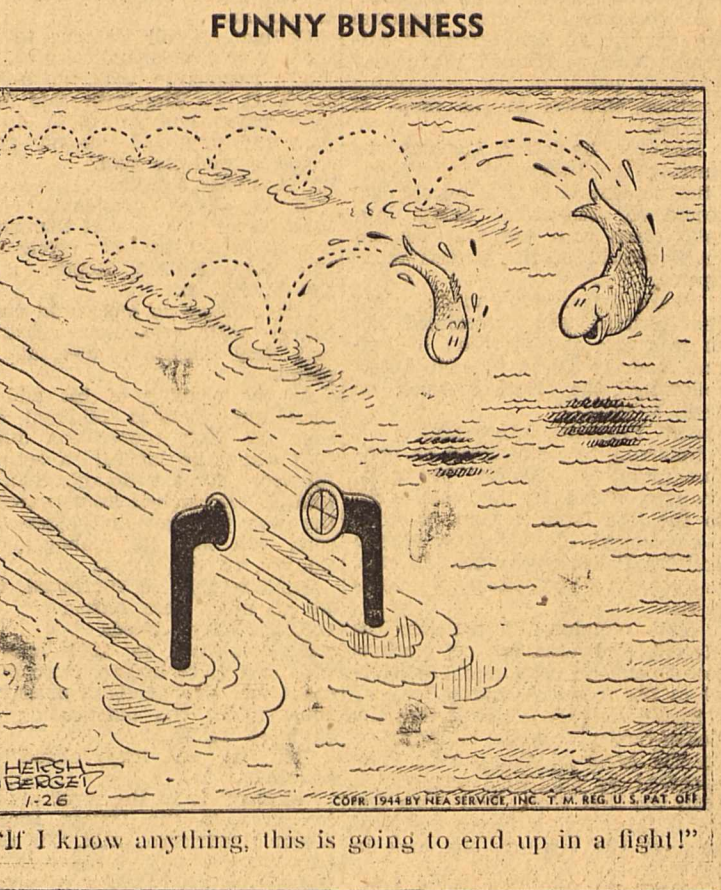
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Japs Lose More Than 400 Planes During January

By MORRIE LANDSBERG Associated Press War Editor
Japanese plane losses throughout the embattled Pacific rose above the 400 mark for January Wednesday after another Allied raid on bomb-torn Rabaul that cost the enemy between 54 and 69 aircraft.

The latest of the smashing, timetable strikes at Rabaul brought the statement by Major Gen. Ralph Mitchell, commander of South Pacific air squadrons, that it was "the most successful offensive operation in the history of Solomon warfare."

American and New Zealand units, attacking the Lakunai airfield in pre-dawn and afternoon sweeps Sunday, shot down 46 Japanese interceptors for certain and 15 probables. In addition, eight parked planes were destroyed...

As a part of the aerial offensive against the Japanese base in the Bismark Archipelago, Allied planes bombed the Admiralty Islands along a 50-mile length of troop and supply concentrations. The destruction included seven parked planes, 12 barges, two tugboats, three small freighters and many buildings.

The Japanese ineffectively raided the American beachhead at Arawe on the southwest coast of New Britain, Headquarters announced, and caused light casualties in an attack on Tokorika, Western Bougainville, the site of new Allied airfields.

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Major W. E. Ryan is on duty with the Army Medical Corps in England, Mrs. W. E. Ryan was informed Wednesday by a letter from the Midland physician.

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Allied Warplanes Blast France In Raids Wednesday

LONDON (AP)— Allied bombers and fighters hammered targets in Northern France for the fourth straight day Wednesday after swift RAF Mosquitos had broken a one-night lull in the Allied aerial offensive by stabbing at unsuspected objectives in Western Germany.

RAF raiders also struck at Northern France during the night operations, which were carried out without loss, said the Air Ministry. The day raiders encountered poorer conditions than Tuesday, when the weather was almost ideal, and were flying under a layer of light cloud as they swept across the channel.

Bomb Airfields
U. S. Thunderbolts dropped bombs on enemy air fields at Gillerjen, Holland, Tuesday for the second time in three days as other Allied planes, rocked the French coast for the third straight day and the fifteenth time this month.

Strong formations of bombers and fighters hit the French coast in the morning and returned to drop more explosives in the afternoon. The raids were carried out by RAF, Dominion and Allied Mitchell and Boston medium bombers and Typhoon fighter-bombers escorted by fighters. Two of the latter failed to return.

Partisans Reoccupy Bosnian Stronghold
LONDON (AP)— Yugoslav Partisans have stormed and reoccupied the Western Bosnian stronghold of Mrkonjgrad, near Jajce, the recently liberated headquarters bastion of Marshal Josip Broz (Tito), but have been forced to evacuate the strategic town of Tuzla in Eastern Bosnia, Tito's war bulletin said Wednesday.

HOSPITAL NOTES
Dismissals at the Western Clinic Hospital Tuesday included Mrs. Dan Kinsey and Billie Joe Pyle.

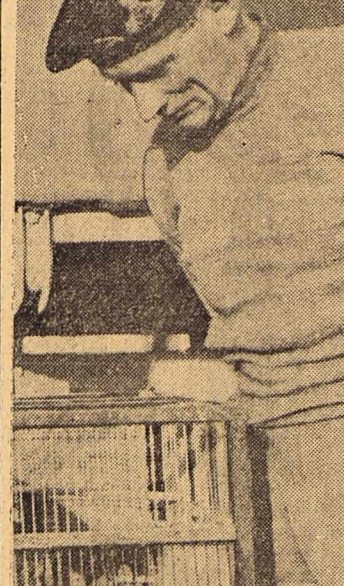
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Bird Fancier



Instead of collecting chunks of shrapnel or Heine helmets like most souvenir-hunting Allied fighters, Gen. Bernard L. Montgomery collects Italian lovebirds and Sicilian canaries. The newly named commander of Britain's invasion land armies is pictured with some of his pets outside his Italian caravan headquarters.

Western Clinic Begins Aide Training Courses
A series of two-hour classes will be opened Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in the Western Clinic Hospital for training hospital aides. Anyone interested in the courses is invited to attend the meeting...

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Veterans Seek Congress Seats

WASHINGTON (AP)— Members of Congress discovered Wednesday in the midst of their efforts to make the ballot available to servicemen and women that some war veterans not only want to vote but intend to run for office. Two special elections to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives are pointing up a growing tendency on the part of military men to enter the political lists this year.

Naval Lt. George E. Andrews, now stationed at Pearl Harbor, has become a candidate for Congress while on active duty. Andrews led a field of five in the first primary to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Henry B. Steagall in the third Alabama district. He faces a runoff for the nomination with Hubert Farmer, Dothan, Ala., lawyer.

Hospital To Accept Government Plan
The Western Clinic Hospital is one of a hundred hospitals in Texas to accept the Maternity Aid Plan now being offered. The plan is government sponsored and each state administers funds for its support.

German propagandists said Polish soldiers and officers had been killed during the Russian occupation of Smolensk. The Poles asked for and then withdrew a request for a Red Cross investigation of the accusations. Meanwhile, however, Moscow severed relations with Poland.

The announcement Wednesday said that when the Germans invaded the Smolensk district three camps for Polish prisoners-of-war were situated 15 and 27 miles west of Smolensk, and the Poles were working on roads.

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Sports Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr.

NEW YORK—(AP)—Don't laugh at that saddle shoe Susie who's trying manfully to lug your golf clubs around the course, mister. In another five years you may be taking lessons from her...

One-Minute Sports Page Bob Steiber's basketball teammates at Marquette are wondering why Bob, who played with the Chicago Bears during last fall's exhibition and the first league game before the Navy sent him to DePaul, wasn't given a cut of the

President's Birthday DANCE

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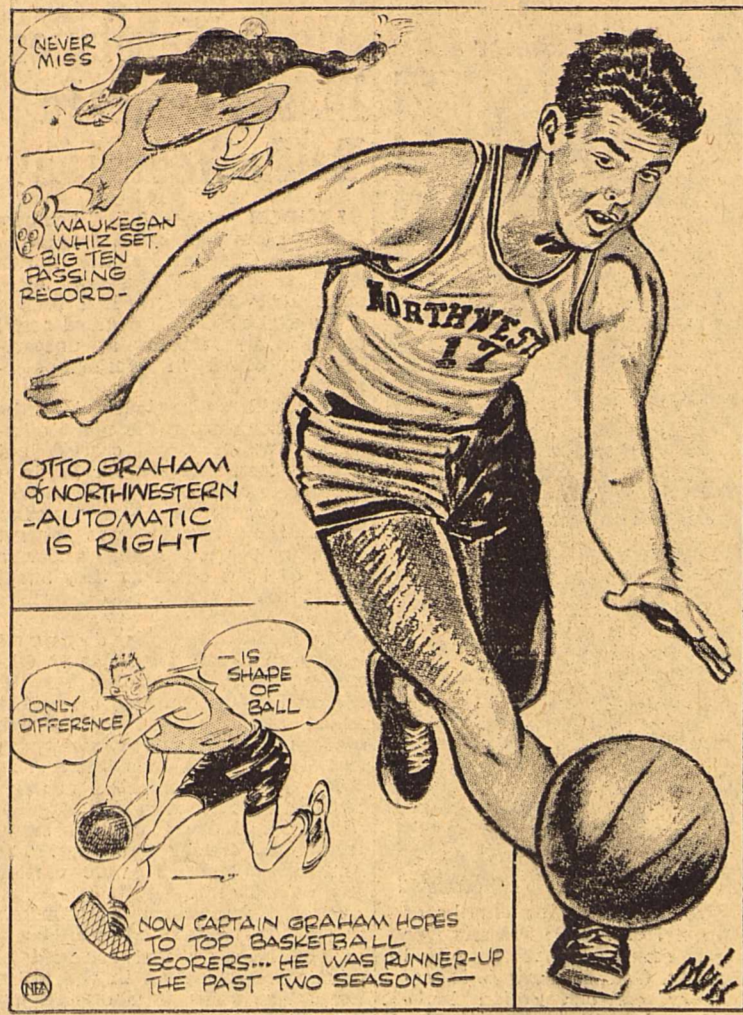
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Bulldogs Defeat Monahans Cagers

Midland's Bulldogs roared over the Monahans High School cagers 30 to 12 in an exhibition game in Monahans Tuesday night.

Bill Richards scored 10 points to take high point honors. Jimmy Watson was next with eight. McGill, a forward, was high for Monahans with eight points.

Scoreboard table with columns for G, F, TP and Total for both teams.

In a B team contest, Midland defeated Monahans 27 to 10. Guy Tom Cowden took scoring honors with nine points.

The Bulldogs will clash with Odesa's Bronchos at 7:30 p. m. Friday in the Midland gym in a district conference contest.

Henry Armstrong Scores Knockout

KANSAS CITY—(AP)—Hammerin' Henry Armstrong, coming along the comeback trail, won another knockout victory here Tuesday night and a host of well-wishers in his quest for at least one of the three titles he once held.

Shortly after the bout, the negro's manager, George P. Moore, announced they were moving on eastward, that he had signed Armstrong for a 10-round bout with Lew Hanbury of Washington, Feb. 7. The former featherweight-lightweight-welterweight king knocked out Saverio Turicello of New York in the seventh round of their scheduled 12-rounder.

Bob Montgomery Blasts Williams

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—Bob Montgomery Wednesday was on the come-back trail toward his lost lightweight title with fire in his eye after blasting Ike Williams, the Trenton, N. J. terror into oblivion in the last round of their scheduled 12-round Tuesday night.

Baylor's Bears Beat Aggies Again

COLLEGE STATION—(AP)—In a wild basketball game Tuesday night, Baylor's Bears clawed their way to a hard-earned 42-39 Southwest Conference win over the Texas Aggies.

The win was the Bears' second in conference play, their other victory also having been at the Aggies' expense earlier in the season. It was the Aggies' fifth title loss.

Eden Reaffirms Britain's Policy On Polish Border

LONDON—(AP)—Cautiously sidestepping a showdown on the ticklish question of Polish territorial sovereignty, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden reaffirmed Wednesday Britain's policy of not recognizing wartime changes in the map of Europe.

However, he left a loophole by quoting the statement of Prime Minister Churchill that no changes would be recognized "unless they take place with the free consent and goodwill of the parties concerned."

Eden's declaration made clear that Britain was determined not to recognize the partition of Poland made by Germany and Russia following the Nazi invasion on Sept. 1, 1939.

Russia Proposed Adjustment Referring to a statement on non-recognition of Polish territorial changes which he had addressed to the late Premier Gen. Wladyslaw Sikorski in 1944 after Russia and the Polish government in exile had signed a pact, Eden told Commons:

"This remains the position. His Majesty's government of course stands on the principles enunciated in the Atlantic Charter."

Russia recently proposed that the Polish-Soviet frontier be adjusted on the basis of the Curzon Line proposed by an Allied commission after the first World War. This line would leave Russia in possession of most of the territory she took in 1939.

The Polish government in London suggested the United States and Britain mediate the dispute, but the Soviet announced it considered the Polish stand a rejection of its offer for settlement of the boundary controversy.

Rubber Chieftain Says Texans Wasteful

DALLAS—(AP)—W. W. Leigh, assistant to the deputy rubber director, said here that Texas and the Southwest were lagging in rubber conservation, but tire men replied their rapping operations were cramped by wartime conditions.

"If the nation as a whole used rubber like Texas and the Southwest," said Leigh, "our truck transportation system throughout the nation would be tied up in 30 days for lack of tires."

Leigh, speaking before tire men and truck operators, said used tires had been shipped into Texas "from up and down the map" and that Texas' demand for new tires was out of all proportion to its recapping record.

Texas recapping firms are operating at only 50 per cent capacity, he added.

Little Pig Piles Up Profits For Red Cross

SHELBYVILLE, ILL.—(AP)—Mrs. Alma Roby's little pig has been going to market since Christmas but patriotic citizens are keeping the porker out of the butcher shop.

Mrs. Roby gave the 35-pound pig to Sheriff J. C. Beem. He donated it to a community sale—and it was sold 51 times, each buyer returning the pig. Total sales were turned over to the Red Cross chapter.

ARMY REJECTS ADAMS

NASHVILLE, TENN.—(AP)—Ace Adams, member of the New York Giants' pitching staff for the last three years, has been rejected for military service because of a knee injury and has signed his 1944 contract with the Giants, the Nashville Tennessean said.

HOPPE HAS LEAD

NEW YORK—(AP)—Willie Hoppe and Welker Cochran conclude their 2,150-point cross country three-cushion billiard match Wednesday with an afternoon and a night block. They split even again Tuesday leaving Hoppe leading in total points, 2,050 to 1,842.

YUCCA advertisement for 'No Time for Love' featuring Colbert and Mac Murray.

HUMPHREY BOGART advertisement for 'Sahara' featuring Bruce Bennett, J. Carroll Naish, and Rex Ingram.

RITZ advertisement for Thursday featuring 78 stars in one picture.

REX advertisement for last day featuring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy.

JITTERBUGS advertisement for today featuring Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy.

BOWL FOR HEALTH advertisement for Plamor Bowling Palace.

YOUR INCOME TAX advertisement for Simon & Schuster.

DINE AND DANCE advertisement for Log Cabin Inn.

LOG CABIN INN advertisement for Midland.

Bright Future

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its splendid cooperation in developing and activating that airfield and told of its importance in the war effort. He said Midland Airport No. 2 had proved the value of Army Air Force servicing detachments.

Calling on all citizens to buy more War Bonds and assure Midland's success in the Fourth War Loan, C. L. Klapproth said Midland never had failed to do its part and predicted the city again would exceed its goal.

M. C. Ulmer, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, served as master of ceremonies. The Rev. Hubert Hopper asked the invocation.

Miss Mickey Jo McDonald entertained with accordion selections and Roy DeWolfe was at the piano.

At the opening of his address, McHargue thanked Midland citizens for their cooperation during 1943 which he labeled "a successful year" for the organization. He said its efforts had been geared to the war program and asserted it soon will lose its manager, Bill Collyns, to the Army.

That means, he continued, that we all must work harder.

Outlines City's Needs He said that in 1944 Midland will need more houses, more office space and that Midland must continue to be the outstanding city of West Texas.

"Midland will forge ahead," he asserted.

"Midland is in the most promising area in the United States," Mayor Hendrickson said. "Its territory has the natural resources and the production capacity to prosper in the post-war era."

"We must win the war and win the War Department to permanent use of Midland's airports. Air fields now are a vital part of Midland."

He branded as "forgetful people" the citizens who fail to pay their taxes, water, sewer and paving bills, and asserted the city has their names on the delinquent tax list. He suggested all citizens be fair with their neighbors and friends and pay their taxes and water and sewer bills promptly.

Hendrickson said the city is employing an engineer to work on its post-war program, asserting the Permian Basin has a real future and the major oil companies have shown their faith in it.

City Has "Wonderful Opportunity" The mayor said Midland needs more paved streets, improvements to its water system, more recreation facilities, more houses, more office space, more apartments, an apartment hotel, and more modern business houses of all kinds.

"Midland has a wonderful opportunity and its future growth is a cinch," he added.

Judge Barron related the sound financial condition of Midland County's government and said it is working on a post-war program emphasizing highway developments, and that its funds are being invested in War Bonds so they will be available for use in this program when victory is won.

He discussed possibilities of a paved highway north to Dawson County and said hopes are held for completion soon of a paved highway to Rankin.

Barron suggested the library's program be expanded at the conclusion of the war.

Schools Geared To War Effort Schools here have the greatest responsibility of any governmental agency," McRae said, "as they are educating the future citizens."

He discussed the program in the schools which has been geared to the war effort, asserting greater emphasis has been placed on physical fitness, mathematics and other needs of the armed forces.

Space and staff problems of Midland schools were explained by McRae who asked citizens to urge students to remain in school and not leave classrooms for temporary jobs.

He said school finances are in excellent condition and that the system is on a cash basis.

"Thrift, self-reliance and fair-play are being taught students in addition to reading, writing and arithmetic," he concluded.

Bombardiers Clear Site Colonel Russell described bombardiers as "the advance workmen whose job it is to clear the site for tomorrow's new world," as he discussed the importance of the Midland Army Air Field in the war program.

"Just as you, in seeking to improve your city, raze the slums to make way for buildings that provide light and air and beauty for your citizens, so the bombardiers are razing the slums of tyranny and hate and oppression—to make way for the freedom of tomorrow. Here in the training center, it is our belief that the bombardiers,

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Cooperation Is Important "When you the businessmen of Midland, set out to put your city on the map, you rely on one thing—cooperation. It is that same thing that makes the bombardier one of the world's most potent fighting men. The bombardier is not simply a man trained to make his bombs fall where they are aimed; he is a member of a fighting team, and it is as a team member that he is trained. He is the man who carries the great responsibility of justifying the risk of others' lives."

"The American Air Force," he continued, "is built around its men—men who are trained to do their specific jobs with skill and confidence. If the men fail, the machines cannot go on to win the war alone."

The colonel explained the important part the Midland Army Air Field, with its bombardier school, bombardier instructors' school and navigation school is playing in the Army Air Forces training program.

The work of the 8th Ferrying Service Detachment at Midland Airport No. 2 was explained by Captain Lane who thanked Midland citizens for their cooperation, hospitality, courtesy and friendship.

Klapproth praised the Chamber of Commerce and Collyns for the fine work in the War Loan drive and said the work these campaigns alone more than justified the existence of the organization.

"Every citizen is expected by his government to buy bonds to the limit of his ability in the Fourth War Loan drive," Klapproth said.

Flying Canine Makes Last Trip

A 15TH AIR FORCE BOMBER BASE IN ITALY—(AP)—Skippy, a bright little mongrel pup who learned to wear an oxygen mask in a Flying Fortress, made his last mission over the new battlefield opened up south of Rome.

Skippy is going home with another old timer.

The dog came out to Africa with Capt. Kenneth L. Spinning of Red Bank, N. J., his owner. Spinning flew from buses in Africa and Italy and always when he came back Skippy was there at the field waiting.

When his specially-fitted oxygen mask was completed, Skippy went along. He made seven official operational flights.

"Missing in Action" Then one day Spinning didn't come back from a raid on which he went without Skippy. He was listed as missing in action.

Skippy suit and the flying boots as the new men tramped in to be briefed, but the ones he wanted weren't there.

It was the same next day and the next.

It was the same today when Skippy jumped out of a plane piloted by Jack Emerick, Chicago.

Captain Spinning still is missing and Emerick plans to take the dog back to Mrs. Spinning, who now is living in New Rochelle, N. Y. Emerick flew his first mission as co-pilot with Spinning.

Kaiser's Nomination Sought By Club

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—(AP)—An Illinois not-for-profit corporation charter has been granted the "Henry J. Kaiser for President Club" of Chicago, it was announced. The announced purpose is "to carry on all activity directed to the object of securing the nomination of Henry J. Kaiser as a candidate for the Republican party for president of the United States."

Sergeant Wanted Rug Cut, No Doubt

SACRAMENTO, N. Y.—(AP)—Nearby 1,500 women in Nassau County hold permits to pack a pistol, although few had them before the war.

There are no wild land animals in the Solomon Islands.

Large advertisement for Greyhound Lines featuring the slogan 'Let's not let up Now!' and 'BUY EXTRA WAR BONDS DURING 4th WAR LOAN DRIVE Jan. 18 - Feb. 15'. It includes an illustration of soldiers and a Greyhound bus.