



GERMAN TANK BLOWS BLOCKED

Russian Armies Closing Steel Pincers Around Minsk Nazi Counterattacks Halt British Drive To Encircle Caen

Ghost Town in Path of War



Only signs of life in above photo of deserted Montebourg, bitterly contested French town finally won by Allies, are two goats who wander through the littered streets after Allied shelling and German demolition squads reduced town to skeleton buildings and charred rubble.

Reds Wipe Out Bypassed Nazi Defense Units

LONDON (AP)—Red troops closed their steel grip around Minsk tighter Saturday, completing the capture of the important rail center of Borisov and taking more than 500 other places in White Russia, as the Soviet summer offensive hurtled into its second week with unabated ferocity, Moscow announced Saturday night.

The third White Russian army of Gen. Ivan Cherniakovskiy, driving directly toward Minsk along the rail line from Orsha, widened its front on the western bank of the Berezina River to 70 miles, the Soviet communiqué said, and plunged onward even while units to the rear wiped out the last German resistance in Borisov, a city of 28,000 population 46 miles east of Minsk.

Flanking movements by other Soviet troops were even closer to the White Russian capital, which field dispatches said was within sound of the approaching battle.

The capture of 12,000 more Germans to the south by the First White Russian Army of Marshal Konstantin K. Rokossovskiy on Friday also was announced in the communiqué, which said that a Nazi lieutenant general and a major general were among the prisoners taken.

The new round-up brought to 35,680 the number of German captives taken on the southern sector of the White Russian front up until Saturday.

Rokossovskiy's advance northward toward Minsk liberated more (Continued on Page 6)

Fifth Army Beats Off German Blows 31 Miles From Florence

ROME (AP)—The German lines fell back Saturday all along the 165-mile Italian front under blows of the Fifth and Eighth armies marching on the prize cities of Livorno, Florence and Ancona.

The Fifth Army beat back a tank-led counterattack and fought into the outskirts of Cecina, on the Tyrrhenian Sea coast only 20 miles below Livorno.

The French of the Fifth Army fought a mile through the mountains to within six miles of Siena, a highway center 31 miles below Florence. British, South African and Indian troops in the center moved up both the east and west shores of Lake Trasimeno against sporadic resistance.

The Eighth on the east crossed the Chienti River—a barrier which had blocked its advance for several days—and the Germans fell back toward a line along the Musone River, 10 miles from the Adriatic port of Ancona.

While U. S. troops fought for Cecina, other American units crossed the Cecina River three miles to the northeast, partly outflanking this town of 10,000 population. Advance elements were only 17 miles from Livorno.

Another column coming around on the town from the southwest, reached the Cecina River, where it flows into the sea and was met by mortar and small arms fire.

The British on the west shore of the lake advanced up almost its entire length, and took the village of Gracciano.

Getting Preview of Victory



Chantal, Jacqueline and Georgette Casine, 4-year-old French triplets, get a peek at victorious Allied attack on Cherbourg when Cpl. Harold Myers, of Lancaster, Pa., lets them look through his binoculars at artillery barrage laid down by Yanks advancing on the port.

15,000 Danish Patriots Defy Nazi Troops

STOCKHOLM (AP)—Allied flags flew Saturday night from barricades in the streets of Copenhagen, where 15,000 Danish patriots, brandishing machineguns and rifles, were reported ready to fight to the finish against a German garrison of 3,000 being bolstered hourly by other troops rushing in from Zealand.

After a night of street fighting, during which one unconfirmed report said German planes machine-gunned the demonstrators, the patriots broke out United States, British, Russian and Danish flags and hung them defiantly above their improvised fortresses.

The Swedish newspaper Aftonbladet quoted a report from the underground that the demonstrators—who began a general strike Friday—now were 15,000 strong.

The general strike was described by the Free Danes as 100 per cent effective, and as a result food supplies, shank, water and electricity were cut off, and all transportation was at a standstill.

Unconfirmed reports said more than 700 persons had been killed or wounded, while the Free Danish Press Service reported that violent street fighting had sent 400 persons to hospitals.

The Germans closed the harbor of Copenhagen Saturday, the press service said, and the last ferry departed for Sweden at noon.

Soviet Union Takes Steps To Restore Poles' Citizenship

MOSCOW (AP)—The Soviet Union took steps Saturday to restore Polish citizenship to Poles in Russia fighting the Germans and to permit Russians reviving churches throughout the nation to deal directly with the government.

The Supreme Soviet issued a decree granting inhabitants of the western provinces of White Russia and the Ukraine, as well as Soviet citizens of Polish nationality elsewhere, who are serving in the Polish army in Russia or who are aiding in the fight against Germany, the right to adopt Polish citizenship. Members of their families were included.

They would be exempt from a decree of Nov. 29, 1939, which declared inhabitants of the western provinces of White Russia and the Ukrainian republics were Soviet citizens.

Yankees Consolidate Positions On Saipan

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, PEARL HARBOR (AP)—American Marines and doughboys are slowly consolidating their gains on bloody Saipan as they liquidated pockets of Japanese hiding in caves behind their lines.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz's Saturday communique reported "small gains" Thursday and added that holed-in Japanese, bypassed previously, were being wiped out.

The American fighting forces were fighting over rough terrain—ridges slashed by ravines and dotted with caves. The work of consolidating gains was slow and tough.

The Japanese continued their nightly nuisance raids over American-held areas. They dropped explosives Thursday night. One Japanese plane was shot down.

Naval shells and aerial bombers rained without halt on nearby Tinian Island in an effort to neutralize Japanese gun positions there.

Rota Island, about 60 miles south of Saipan, was subjected to its daily aerial blistering Thursday. Buildings and runways were blasted by carrier planes. Japanese aircraft did not attempt interception.

Far to the north Navy planes staged a pre-dawn attack on the Kurile Islands. Paramushiro and Shumshu were bombed Thursday. Again the Japanese offered no air opposition and anti-aircraft fire was meager. All the raiders returned to their base.

Prime Minister Churchill watched intently for more than six hours Friday the fight against the weird, explosive-laden projectiles. He may make a brief statement to Commons Tuesday. But indications were that he would not disclose much, and Vernon Bartlett, independent member from Bridgewater, served notice he would ask Morrison "whether in order to lessen the unpopularity outside Southern England, to stimulate confidence inside it and to discourage the German people, he will consider the advisability of publishing figures showing the avert age of casualties caused by each bomb leaving the emplacements in France."

From the Germans themselves came more detailed descriptions of thevengeful weapon. The Berlin radio described them as having a "rocket-propelled gear," giving a speed of 375 miles per hour. The broadcast said each robot was laden with 2,240 pounds of explosive, that its range was fixed before firing, and that it was launched from underground emplacements which are "indestructible for all practical purposes."

Two women were killed in a denat's office; five persons trapped and one killed in the wreckage of a home; one was killed and several in the demolition of houses at breakfast times; six were killed and smashed homes.

Japs Start New Drive To Open Vital Rail Link

By LEONARD MILLMAN Associated Press War Editor

Beaten on all fronts outside of China throughout the costly month of June, Japan has launched a new drive from Canton designed to complete the conquest of 2,000 miles of railway linking her East Asia garrisons.

The campaign started near the close of the most disastrous month of the war for Japan's air force—at least 1,036 planes destroyed and 50 probably lost against 180 United States planes lost.

Nipponese columns pushed up from Canton along the winding mountain railway to join other forces, 250 miles away, pressing toward the coast from flaming Hengyang.

Operation of the full 2,000-mile stretch of railroads would relieve Japan's hard-pressed shipping. Nippon's battered merchant fleet needs help badly. She has lost more than 1,400 ships since Pearl Harbor. Some 2,476 of her ships have been sunk, probably sunk or damaged. Incomplete reports in June listed 141 ships sunk and 42 damaged. Thirteen warships were in each group.

Two Bomber Groups Attack Nazi Robot Bomb Installations

SHAEF (AP)—Two separate forces of Allied heavy bombers, one British and one American, attacked German robot bomb installations across the channel in northern France shortly before dusk Saturday, beginning a new month of operations after they and other planes had flown more than 100,000 sorties in June.

The American formation which was composed of less than 250 Liberators, and escorting fighters shot down eight Nazi fighters, sprayed 29 barges, three locomotives, nine railway cars, three anti-aircraft cars and five trucks with machine-gun bullets.

Allied losses were one bomber from each force and two American fighters.

Hitler Ends Long Silence To Praise General Dietl

LONDON (AP)—Long-silent Adolf Hitler, speaking at the funeral of Gen. Eduard Dietl, Nazi commander in Finland who was killed in a plane crash, said "in this fifth year of the war we often find ourselves confronted with difficult situations, but expressed belief in national fanaticism would bring victory."

The speech, made at an unspecified place, was distributed Saturday night to the German press and broadcast on the 11th anniversary of his rise to power.

"In this fifth year of the war," Hitler said, "we often find ourselves confronted with difficult situations, but expressed belief in national fanaticism would bring victory."

"When we think of the number of Midland County men now in the armed forces," said the number now in actual combat, and of those who have been reported killed or missing in action we should be grateful for the opportunity of buying War Bonds to the very limit of our ability," the bond campaign chairman said.

Indiana Senator New Chairman Of Demo Convention

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Samuel D. Jackson of Indiana was picked Saturday to serve as permanent chairman of the Democratic national convention opening in Chicago July 19 to select President Roosevelt for another nomination if he wants it.

This choice was announced as Robert E. Hannegan, chairman of the Democratic national committee, entrained for Chicago to complete plans for the convention, which will be held in Chicago Stadium.

Jackson, an appointee to the Senate now running for governor of Indiana, was nominated for the permanent chairmanship by the newly-appointed executive committee of the national committee. The full committee is expected to approve the election at a meeting in Chicago July 17.

Attending a news conference at which his selection was announced, Jackson was pressed as to whether convention leaders had any word regarding Mr. Roosevelt's intentions with regard to a fourth term. "I presume President Roosevelt will be our nominee," he said. "As far as I know, it still is in his lap. He has indicated to no one, as far as I know, whether he will be a candidate."

Midland Bond Sales Total \$1,001,493

Midland County has finally passed the million dollar mark in the Fifth War Loan campaign, Mayor Hendrickson, county chairman for the drive, announced Saturday morning.

Saturday morning total sales of all types of War Bonds in the county during the current campaign stood at \$1,001,493. The county's quota is \$1,535,000, and 65.24 per cent of the quota has been met.

Series E Sales Lag
Sale of Series E Bonds is definitely lagging, Hendrickson said. The total now stands at \$172,300, or 45.94 per cent of the \$375,000 quota.

"The Fifth War Loan campaign," Hendrickson pointed out, "has to be kept going for six days as they have to buy bonds before the end of the month if they are to be met."

"It is unthinkable for Midland County to fall in this War Bond drive, but that prospect is in sight unless immediate and drastic action is taken," Hendrickson asserted.

MAAF To Help
Program for the premiere includes a two and a half hour stage and screen show. Midland Army Air Field will supply the stage portion of the program. The screen attraction will be, "Home in Indiana," a new technicolor production that has not yet been released nationally.

War Department Says Production Goals Not Being Met

WASHINGTON (AP)—The War Department, asserting that its monthly goals of war goods deliveries are not being met, said Saturday night it has urged the War Production Board not to permit relaxation in production controls and to exert "even more vigorous efforts" to increase manufacture of weapons.

The statement, containing percentage figures to show the lag in items, apparently was intended to implement the recent warning of the chiefs of staff against any slackening in the output of war material.

"The materials in production today," the statement said, "are required to meet expenditures on the battlefield. Failures now to meet schedules mean delays in military operations which may be costly in loss of lives and in prolonging the struggle."

The department's appeal was directed at both management and labor.

Tickets To War Bond Premiere Moving Fast

Business is picking up at the bond booth in the lobby of the Yucca Theater where bond buyers are given tickets to the Invasion Premiere to be held at the theater at 8:30 p. m. Thursday, J. Howard Hodge, manager, said Saturday.

Only enough tickets will be issued to fill the house, and the manager suggested that to be sure of finding tickets for the premiere, bond buyers purchase their bonds as early as possible.

Drive Into Lines
Field reports from the British sector told of German troops going into battle straight from the march. One German officer drove furiously all the way from Paris to help direct German counterblows. "He drove straight into our lines and was captured," a British officer added.

With Marshal Erwin Rommel reported taking over personal command in the field after the death of Col. Gen. Friedrich Dollmann, the Germans attacked both flanks of the British Odon River bridgehead on a 15-mile front between Caen and Viller-Bocage, enemy communication hub which the RAF's big bombers flattened Friday night with a 1,120-ton raid.

(A DNB broadcast said Allied (Continued on Page 3)

War Bulletins

WITH AMERICAN TROOPS ON CAP DE LA HAGUE (AP)—The last organized German units northwest of Cherbourg laid down their arms early Saturday night before the pressing bayonets of American troops who completed mopping up the peninsula by bagging 5,000 prisoners in the last 48 hours.

SHAEF (AP)—German attempts to infiltrate Allied positions on the Odon River salient were repulsed Saturday, supreme headquarters said Saturday night in communique No. 52.

NEW YORK (AP)—The German news agency Transocean said Saturday in a wireless dispatch not immediately confirmed elsewhere that Allied battleships in Seine Bay had opened fire on the French city and harbor of Le Havre.

Weather
Partly cloudy, showers.

Love In Bloom Creates Wartime Diamond Boom

By CAROL BERMAN NEA Staff Writer NEW YORK—The man on the street in love—GI Joe and the American war worker—is almost single-handedly causing the great diamond buying boom in history, a boom that is making fortunes for brokers, merchants and holders of diamond shares.

Statistics show that love in wartime America is blooming at the rate of about two million marriages a year and diamond sales are booming to the tune of about 278 million dollars. The demand for everything from diamond tiaras to V-plins is so great that dealers are having difficulty keeping up with it.

A survey of retail jewelers throughout the country reveals that the present average price of diamonds, including the new federal tax, is \$225 to \$450 for a one-half carat stone, \$650 to \$1,000 for a one carat stone and \$1,650 to \$2,750 for a two carat gem.

Most astounding to the country's diamond marketers is the tremendous increase in engagement ring sales to couples who have been married for 5 to 10 years. Dealers explain that most of these buyers took the trip to the altar during the depression, without benefit of sparklers.

Although diamond sales have soared so fantastically that De Beers, great South African diamond company, was able to announce dividends of 70 per cent in 1943, as against 10 per cent in the "boom" year of 1913, dealers anticipate an even greater market after the war.

Washington Beats Cleveland 4 To 2 WASHINGTON—(AP)—Dutch Leonard limited Cleveland to five hits as Washington clubbed out 12 safeties to beat the Indians, 4 to 2, before 11,749 fans Saturday night.

IOCC Members Applaud Relaxation Of PAW Drilling Restrictions DENVER—(AP)—Leaders of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission Saturday applauded the decision of the Petroleum Administration for War to relax federal drilling restrictions.

Workers now employed in essential industry or agriculture will not be considered and applicants must have statement of availability or a referral by the United States Employment Service.

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Home Is Not Like This



Following capture of Bayeux, in Normandy, by Allies, troops went sightseeing. Above, British soldiers stop to stare at the French gowns on display in one of the town's shops. London stores haven't shown evening gowns like those for many a month.

Bits Of Tragic Humor Mark Path Of War As It Swings Up Italy

By KENNETH L. DIXON WITH THE AEF IN ITALY—(Delayed)—(P)—They're still kidding Sgt. Romulus Kyler and Staff Sgt. Reamless Kyler, twin negro brothers of Williston, Fla., about getting their picture in Stars and Stripes the other day.

Since the 22-year-old soldiers were named for Romulus and Remus, the lads who according to legend were suckled by the she-wolf and subsequently founded Rome some 2600 years ago, it was a cinch someone would hunt them up in Rome.

Sgt. Cyril Hopper, the Army newspaper photographer, not only found them but also found a bronze statue depicting the she-wolf and the famous twins who came to dinner. So he posed the Florida twins in front of it and took their picture.

They met a Brooklyn-born Italian who asked them if they were thirsty. "Yep," they chorused and at that moment they weren't thinking of cognac, wine or anything but water.

So the boys sat down and toasted the taking of Rome with glass after glass of moo juice.

Upon Lake Bolsena Staff Sgt. Ralph Munoz of Los Angeles was astonished to learn there were people who didn't know you could go fishing with hand grenades when that's all the tackle you have.

There were muffled banter-rooms from out over the lake as he spoke and the naked soldiers went wading out to gather in the fish.

"It paralyzes them," the sergeant explained. "All you have to do is pick up the fish and bring them back, fix them on a stove and you've got everything."

Here, Not Here The people of tiny Onano still aren't quite sure what happened. Some say it was like a tornado; others insist it seemed more like a whirlwind.

Gluseppe, who used to run a bicycle repair shop, is one of those who stayed. Wild-haired and wild-eyed, he is still groping for words to explain what happened.

France— (Continued from Page 1)

landings were "being effected" behind a thick smokescreen east of the Orne estuary on the coast north of Caen, and that 300 ships were involved, including several battleships fighting a duel with Nazi coastal batteries.

Yanks Sweep Forward On the middle of the 100-mile front U. S. troops in a sharp movement rolled within 2 1/2 miles of St. Lo with the capture of La Forge on the northeast.

Elements of seven German tank divisions now are trying to find a soft spot in the Allied line, particularly in the British positions which are the greatest potential danger along the roads to Paris.

Three Convicts Face Murder Charge After Prison Escape HUNTSVILLE—(AP)—The Walker County grand jury Saturday indicted three of the four convicts who escaped from the Wynne Prison Farm on June 20 charged with murder in connection with the slaying of Guard George L. Preston.

They were also indicted for repetition of capital offense under the habitual criminal statute. W. M. Johnson, 30, who was serving time from Hardin, Harris and Liberty counties, also escaped with Stockton, McLemore and Padgett, but no bill of indictment was returned against him in connection with the escape-slaying.

WPB Announces Lumber Quotas For Quarter WASHINGTON—(AP)—The War Production Board Friday night announced the quotas of lumber for major industries in July, August and September, leaving it to WPB's various industry divisions to divide up each quota among individual companies.

Demands of the Army, Navy, industry divisions, and other claimants had to be scaled down about 12 per cent, WPB said, to match the available supply.

The allocation is part of the broad new lumber controls being imposed by WPB to cope with the critical lumber shortage.

Veteran Ninth Sparked D-Day Drives In Africa And Normandy

EDITOR'S NOTE: Since D-Day marked the invasion of Normandy, the veteran Ninth Division has been mentioned frequently in front-line dispatches. This division has been reported to be in the vanguard of American forces, which captured Cherbourg. Here is the story of the fighting Ninth, whose men saw combat service on D Day in North Africa. Censorship still withholds many details of battles in which they fought, but their past record is one of which any outfit could well be proud.

NEA Staff Correspondent LONDON—The "Neglected Ninth," America's forgotten division during the African and Sicilian campaigns, is at last coming into its own. Observers who saw Major Gen. Manton S. Eddy's men in action in the Mediterranean considered it probably the crack U. S. Army unit in the North African theater.

Through a series of happenings, the Ninth always missed by a hair getting the public acclaim that was its due. The chief reason that the Ninth Division was so long neglected was that its regimental combat teams often fought attached to other units, which got the credit for the victories.

Two of the Ninth's combat teams landed on D Day in North Africa, while the third landed only four days later. Fighting separately, combat teams of the division took part in such now-historic battles as Kasserine and Faid and Maknassy and Djebel Chentli.

One infantry unit was the first unit into Bizerte, one of the two principal objectives in the final Tunisian victory. During these battles the Ninth's combat teams had been attached to such diverse units as the First Armored Division, the U. S. Second Corps and the British Fifth Corps.

For a while it looked as though the Ninth was in for the same fate in Sicily. One Combat Team and the Divisional Artillery landed in Sicily almost on D Day—but attached to the First Division. It wasn't until after Palermo was captured that the Ninth fought again as a Division.

When, as a Division, it took Randazzo, key to Messina, it looked as though the Ninth would get the credit due it. Correspondents were told that they could write the story. But by one of those mixups that sometimes happen, the field censors had not gotten the same orders. The correspondents' stories went through—with the Division's numeral cut.

and south of Villers-Bocage was paralyzed by the attack. Nazi troops scrambling from trucks when the tempest of bombs hit—also were shelled by British artillery.

FDR Opens Allied Monetary Conference

BRETTON WOODS, N. H.—(AP)—Calling for a "dynamic and a soundly expanding world economy," President Roosevelt sent a message of confidence and hope to the opening session of the United Nations monetary and financial conference Saturday.

Delegates from 44 nations, joined by an observer from a 45th, Denmark, heard Mr. Roosevelt's greeting as they assembled in the mountain-enclined Mount Washington house for three weeks of discussion out of which may grow new mammoth international financial institutions.

Morgenthau Heads Group They immediately and unanimously named Treasury Secretary Morgenthau, head of the American delegation, as conference president and heard him predict their decisions "will shape to a significant degree the nature in which we live."

The party will consider proposals for an \$8,000,000,000 monetary fund designed to stabilize world currencies and a \$10,000,000,000 bank for reconstruction and development. Emphasizing that their discussions will affect "ordinary men and women everywhere," Mr. Roosevelt said that only through a dynamic and expanding world economy can the living standards of individual nations be advanced to levels which will permit a full realization of our hopes for the future.

High Plains' Water Tables Hold Up Under Heavy Irrigation Use

AUSTIN—(AP)—Water well irrigation in the Texas high plains has developed from about 35,000 acres irrigated in 1934 to 400,000 acres at the end of 1943. This is noted by the State Board of Water Engineers cooperating with the United States Geological Survey in the fourth of a series of progress reports, released Saturday.

In 1943, there were 2,953 wells in operation against about 300 in 1934. The report said the development probably is unprecedented anywhere in the United States. As a whole the underground reservoirs withstood the pumping draft very well and only in relatively small parts of the more heavily pumped territory has there been a serious decline in the water table.

In some areas where the pumping was light to moderate the water tables were higher this spring than six years ago due to heavy ground-water recharge during the exceptionally wet year 1941.

In Australia many artesian well moorings are sunk to depths of more than 4,000 feet.

1,700 Coal Miners 'Go Fishing' As Strikes Spread

By The Associated Press Employees of another coal mine failed to report for work in Pennsylvania Saturday and a union official said they probably had "gone fishing."

The walkout, involving nearly 1,700 miners at the No. 7 colliery of the Susquehanna Collieries Company, near Wilkes Barre, took place on the first day of the miners' regular vacation, cancelled recently by agreement in response to a plea from Harold L. Ickes, solid fuels administrator.

A union spokesman said the No. 7 colliery miners were unanimously opposed to relinquishing their vacation, despite such an agreement made by their representative. In Pennsylvania alone, 8,200 workers were on strike, including employees of five other coal mines, a steel mill, and seven other industrial plants. About 1,300 miners at the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation Vesta No. 4 mine, California, Pa., were scheduled to return Monday.

Midland Is Stop Point On Military Air Transport Route

CINCINNATI—(AP)—The ferrying division of the Air Transport Command inaugurated its Military Air Transport service Saturday on a transcontinental cargo route between Newark, N. J., and Los Angeles, Calif. Twice-daily service is scheduled, Brig. Gen. William H. Tunner, commanding, said. Intermediate stops will include Midland, Texas.

KEEN OLD BLADE

CHENEY, KAS.—(AP)—The razor used by G. R. Henley is more than 100 years old and has shaved four generations of Henleys.

General Ubico Quits As Head Of Guatemala Government Saturday

GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA—(AP)—Gen. Jorge Ubico, whose government suspended constitutional rights June 22, resigned Saturday and a military junta promising to restore them took over.

A dispatch from El Salvador said exiles greeted the news of Ubico's fall with rejoicing and hoped they now would be able to return to Guatemala.) The junta, formed by Gens. Eduardo Villagrán Ariza, Federico Ponce and Buenaventura Pinola, said constitutional rights would be restored and a special session of the national assembly would be called to select an acting president.

The suspension had precipitated a strike of students in the national university.

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CURLEE CLOTHES. An advertisement for Curlee Clothes featuring a man in a suit and a woman in a dress. The man is holding a briefcase and looking at the woman. The woman is sitting on a bench and looking at the man. The background shows a tennis court with a net and a ball.

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Humble, Atlantic And Pure Have Taken Extensive Blocks Of Acreage In Edwards Plateau Area Counties

By JAMES C. WATSON, Oil Editor
Humble Oil & Refining Company has blocked approximately 52,000 acres in a spread in East-Central Edwards County, in the area east of Rock Springs, according to an unofficial report.

PAW Well Space Rule Void In District 3; Some Other Federal Restrictions Amended

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
HOUSTON — Recommendations made by the oil industry through the petroleum industry general committee for District Three for relaxation of some federal regulations were granted Saturday by the Petroleum Administration for War in an amended Order 11 and in a supplementary order covering specific Southwest production problems.

Lea, Roosevelt And DeBaca Areas To Get Testing From New Wildcats

HOBBBS, N. M.—Three new wildcat projects were reported for Southeast New Mexico during last week. They are in Central-North Lea County, West-Central Roosevelt County, and North-Central DeBaca County.

Ceremonies Mark Dedication Of Denison Dam

DENISON —(AP)—The Denison Dam was dedicated Saturday in more than two hours of speeches as a structure which would protect the Red River Valley in four states from floods, manufacture power for industry and rural electrification.

General Motor Use Of 100-Octane Gas Is Considerably In The Future

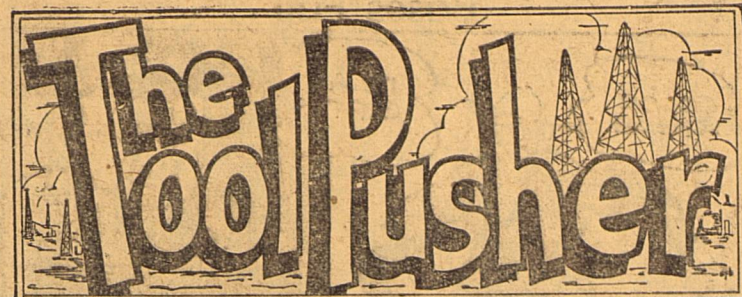
"Post-war motorists will not be able to use 100-octane gasoline regardless of what they have heard or read, for pouring 100-octane fuel into the tanks of post-war cars would be sheer economic waste," declares an article in the June issue of "Shell News," publication of the Shell Oil Company.

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ROBERTS JOIN AT&PC AS DISTRICT GEOLOGIST

—Gerald C. "Jerry" Roberts is new district geologist for American Trading & Production Company. He went to work on his new job early last week.

WAYNE MOORE GIVEN NEW JOB BY STANOLIND

—Wayne Moore in the Midland geological office of Stanolind Oil & Gas Company for about four and one-half years, has been given a promotion, and moved to the Panhandle district office of the company at Amarillo.

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Crude Oil Tax Receipts Hit All-Time High

AUSTIN —(AP)—A new high in crude oil production tax receipts was reached in Texas last month, State Comptroller George H. Shepard reported Saturday.

SNAILS TEST WATER

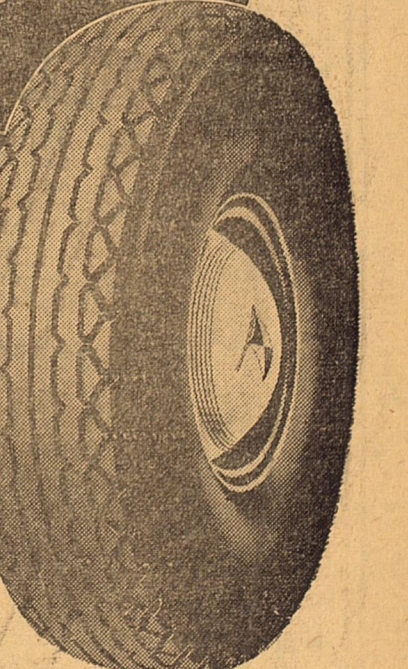
Snails succumb quickly to tainted water and, for that reason, are sometimes carried in dry containers to test widely scattered water holes before drinking from them.

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Among the Arabs, sacred trees are believed to be haunted by angels or jinns.

Baseball cartoon titled 'Bases Full' featuring characters like Ruffus Gentry and Honus Wagner with humorous dialogue about baseball stats and pitcher performance.

St. Louis Brownies Dump Red Sox 9-1

BOSTON —(AP)—The wildness of three Boston Red Sox pitchers, who issued ten bases on balls, enabled the St. Louis Browns to gain an easy 9 to 1 victory...

Detroit Tigers Beat Philadelphia 9 To 4

PHILADELPHIA —(AP)—The Detroit Tigers escaped a fall into the American League cellar by pounding out 14 hits for a 9-4 victory over the Philadelphia Athletics...

Philadelphia Phils Plaster Cubs 4 To 2

CHICAGO —(AP)—Dick Barrett, Philadelphia Phils' right-hander who has been beaten ten times this season, steeled to set the Chicago Cubs down with two hits and end their four game winning streak, 4 to 2.

Pittsburgh Pirates Drub Braves 5-1

PITTSBURGH —(AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates won the first game of a three-game series from the Boston Braves 5-1, when Ray Starr held them to six well scattered hits to hang up his third straight victory...

Cincinnati Reds Jar New York Giants 5-0

CINCINNATI —(AP)—Ed Huesser blanked the Giants with seven hits as Cincinnati took the first of a three game series from New York, 5-0. Huesser and Eddie Miller each drove in a pair of runs.

Upcoming Ace



By recently bagging his 15th enemy plane in raid on Romania's Ploesti oil fields, Maj. Herschel S. Greene, above, of Mayfield, Ky., became Mediterranean theater's leading fighter pilot.

Standings

League standings table with columns for American League, National League, and Southern Democrats, listing teams and their records.

Adams Predicts Texas Will Make War Bond Quotas

DALLAS —(AP)—Texas War Finance Committee Chairman Nathan Adams predicted Saturday that Texans would enter the last week of the Fifth War Loan with fresh determination to crack wide open the three chief quotas of the drive.

Premiere

(Continued from Page 1) will appear on the program. Among the targets bombed by Lieutenant Sullivan are the famous Italian targets of Rome, Foggia, Pisa, Bologna and such vital targets as the ballbearing works at Wiener Neustadt south of Vienna.

Russians

(Continued from Page 1) than 150 places during the day, the communists said. Reach Vital River. The Berezina River also was reached at a point some 30 miles southeast of Borisov near the town of Berezino and due west of Mogilev.

Southern Democrats To Talk

DALLAS —(AP)—E. B. Germany, former Texas Democratic committee chairman and leader in the Texas revolt against the renomination of President Roosevelt, said Saturday that a caucus of Southern delegates to the national convention will be held in Chicago (Palmer House) on Monday night, July 17.

CLAIM NEW ANESTHETIC

STOCKHOLM —(AP)—Two Swedish scientists, Nils Lovgren and Bengt Lundqvist, report that after six years of research they have developed a local anesthetic which they call LL30. They claim it is easier to produce than novocaine and more effective.

U. S. Workers, Bosses Give In To WMC's 'Voluntary' Labor Program

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The United States clamped tighter controls over job seekers and prospective employers Saturday to help keep war essential industries adequately staffed and to check excessive turnover with the new War Manpower Commission order is voluntary, but C. E. Belk, WMC director, had this to say how a non-conformist employer might be persuaded.

Advertisement for Dunlap's featuring the slogan 'Will be closed MONDAY AND TUESDAY July 3rd and 4th' and the Dunlap's logo.

SPORTS BOMBER

The first round of play in the Enlisted Men's National and American Softball Leagues at Midland Army Air Field came to an end Saturday, with Statistics leading the National League, and Flight B taking the honors in the American League.

U. S. Ambassador To Argentina Recalled For 'Consultation'

WASHINGTON —(AP)—Ambassador Norman Armour, now on his way home from Buenos Aires under recall orders, will be offered a top-flight position in the State Department, it was reported in official quarters Saturday night, thus leaving this country without an ambassador to Argentina.

At Cherbourg

Maj.-Gen. Manton S. Eddy, above, of Chicago, Ill., commands the U. S. Army's famed 9th Division, which, with the 74th and 4th Divisions, captured Cherbourg. Gen. Eddy, who led the 9th in the North African and Sicilian campaigns, won Legion of Merit for his leadership in Tunisia.

Advertisement for 'BOWL for HEALTH' at 'PLAMOR PALACE' featuring a bowling ball and text 'KEEP IN SHAPE'.

Advertisement for 'LOSE VALUE' warning about cooking vegetables and mentioning 'Alfred Nobel invented dynamite in 1867.'

Advertisement for 'Chicago White Sox Batter Yanks 3-2' with game details and player names.

Advertisement for 'SONOTONE HEARING CENTER' featuring 'H. L. AKEN Certified Sonotone Consultant.'

Advertisement for 'Roy McKee Complete Insurance Service' with 'PHONE 495'.

Advertisement for 'CRAWFORD HOTEL' in Midland, Texas, with dates 'MONDAY, JULY 3RD' and 'MONDAY, JULY 10th'.

Large advertisement for 'WAR BOND PREMIERE!' featuring 'HONOR YOUR HERO FIGHT BY HIS SIDE' and 'A FREE SEAT WITH EVERY WAR BOND!'.

Advertisement for 'YUCCA West Texas Entertainment Castle' with showtimes and 'GASLIGHT' production.

Advertisement for 'RITZ TODAY MONDAY' featuring 'THE KHAKI-GO-WAACY MUSICAL!' and 'HEY, ROOKIE!'.

Advertisement for 'JUNGLE JIVE • CARTOON LATEST PARAMOUNT NEWS'.

Advertisement for 'REX TODAY MONDAY' featuring 'OLIVIA DE HAVILLAND ROBERT CUMMINGS'.

Advertisement for 'PRINCESS O'ROURKE' featuring 'JANE WYMAN JACK CARSON'.

Flower Scents Spin More Charm In Summer Heat

By ALICIA HART NEA Staff Writer
Dabs of opulent perfume that tantalized nostrils so pleasantly in December can, when pungency is intensified by summer heat, make strong men swoon.

Use just enough of it to add to your sparkle and to make you feel flower-fresh; not to make fellow travelers on crowded busses, trolleys or trains stagger off in a mild state of asphyxiation.

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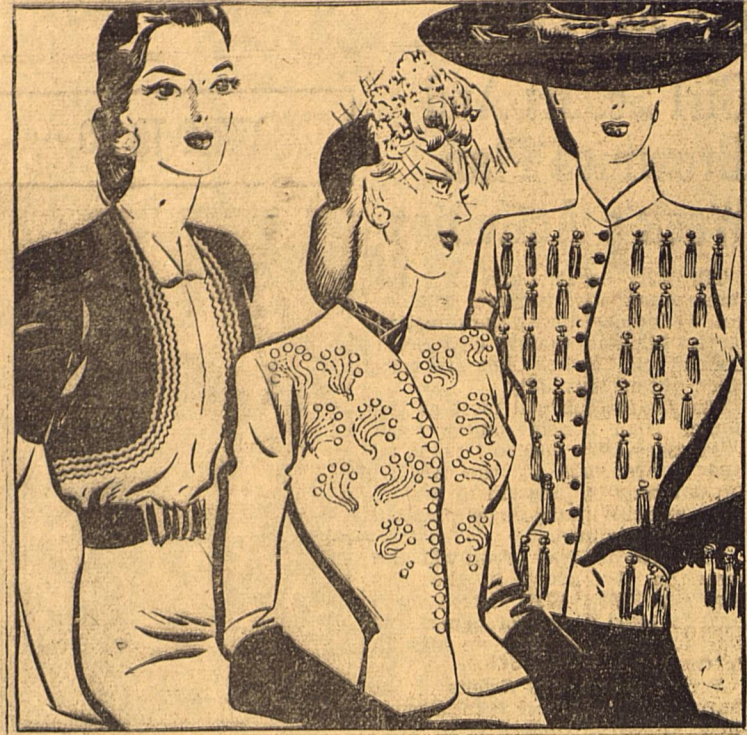
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A Few Tassels A Few Buttons, And You Have That Magic Touch



By EPSIE KINARD NEA Staff Writer
NEW YORK—If big-wig designers can embellish simple suits with tassels, embroider a front with buttons or commandeer rickrack from the sewing box and give their creations the charm of surprise that helps to put them across, you can do as

much with the clothes that you make.
Nor do you have to cudgel your brains to think up magic touches as good as theirs, because Louise Barnes Gallagher, one of these top-ranking designers, gives you three of her proven successes to copy.

Next, if you're cooking up a linen or high-style cotton suit, make it something to write home about by "embroidering" the front of your jacket with buttons, as Mrs. Gallagher has done in the center figure. Plan to use midget-size buttons to close the front of your jacket. Space them closely together. Then equip yourself with two dozen more buttons to "embroider" button buds on clusters of chain-stitched stems. You can iron-press stem designs from an embroidery stencil, blocking off any unwanted posies that may come along with the stems.

Midland Rodeo Was Financial Success
Directors of Midland Fair Inc. Saturday said the recent world's championship rodeo here netted a profit which they hope will be sufficient to repair and improve the grandstand, barns and other property at the rodeo grounds.

Negro Bombardiers To Be Trained At MAAF
The newest class of bombardier-navigators to report to Midland Army Air Field will include a number of negro cadets, it was announced Saturday by Col. Charles H. Dowman, commanding officer.

Dark green leaf lettuce has 30 times as much vitamin A as iceberg lettuce.

Salads To Tempt Summer Appetites

By SUE ADDINGTON
With the temperature soaring over the hundred mark in Midland, appetites will have to be coaxed in order that the proper foods be eaten. Chocked full of vitamins and minerals, as well as presenting an attractive picture, salads will tempt the most stubborn appetite if properly prepared.

Salad Secrets
The art of salad making is as subtle as anything in cooking; any chef will tell you that. What the chef won't tell you is the secret of the art. I am not quite so secretive, so here they are:

Color and flavor should not clash in the combination of ingredients; and the texture should vary.
Have vegetables dry before mixing as water on the ingredients will thin the salad dressing. Cut salad ingredients in neat and uniform shapes. Add dressing just before serving to insure crispness. Don't overmix salads! Toss together lightly with a large fork and spoon or two forks. To keep lettuce properly, trim off outside leaves, cut remaining piece from stem end and run cold water through it to wash and separate leaves. Drain and place in vegetable fresher or refrigerator.

To Prolong Life Of Rug And Save Yourself From Tripping, Line Rug With Burlap

To prolong the life of your hooked seater rugs and keep them from folding up like an accordion every time you walk on them, line with



Moore Garden - (Continued from Page 1)
fresh peach ice cream and angel food cake.

Banner Milk advertisement featuring a large bottle of Banner Milk and a glass of milk. Text: "It tastes better".

Coming Events

MONDAY
The Red Cross workroom in Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon.
Presbyterian monthly business meeting 3:00 p. m. in church building. The executive board will not meet this month.

WEDNESDAY
The Red Cross workroom in Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 5 p. m.
Girl Scout Craft Club will meet at Junior High music room 9:00 to 11:00 a. m.

FIRST GIRL BORN AT MAAF MATERNITY WARD RECEIVES GIFT
Since the first baby to arrive at the Midland Army Air Field maternity ward was a boy and received a 25-dollar War Bond, it was decided by the Spotters Club, an all-feminine organization, than the first girl baby arriving should be showered likewise.

Wanted! Men and Women Who Are Hard of Hearing
To make this simple, no risk hearing test. If you are temporarily deafened, bothered by ringing buzzing head noises due to hardened or coagulated wax (cerumen), try the Urine Home Method test that so many say has enabled them to hear well again.

MIDLAND HARDWARE and FURNITURE Co. advertisement featuring various tables and furniture. Text: "It's Your Chance to Get REAL VALUES in TABLES in Walnut and Mahogany".

CORY GLASS COFFEE BREWER advertisement featuring an illustration of the coffee brewer. Text: "LOVELY TO GIVE... BEAUTY to be admired... wonderful coffee to be enjoyed thrice daily!"

CORY GLASS COFFEE BREWER advertisement featuring an illustration of the coffee brewer. Text: "A Marvelous Gift 8 CUP SIZE BLACK TRIM \$4.80 RANGE MODEL THE CORY Glass Filter ROD 50¢"

MIDLAND HARDWARE and FURNITURE Co. advertisement featuring an illustration of a table. Text: "WE HAVE ALL PARTS FOR YOUR CORY MIDLAND HARDWARE and FURNITURE Co. 106 N. Main Phone 1500"

What Can You Do With De Gaulle? Friends Love Him—Enemies Hate Him But He Can't Get Along With Either

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—French General Charles de Gaulle's acceptance of President Roosevelt's invitation to come to Washington would give the United States a first hand gander at the most controversial cuss of the entire war.

People who have any ideas at all on this character come only two ways—they are either violently for him or just as violently against him. The people who are for him—the sentimental lovers of anything French and the critics of anything done by the U. S. Department of State—have made the most noise. Thus the good in General de Gaulle has received the most publicity, which is probably as it should be. The line is that de Gaulle is the embodiment of all French virtues, the leader of the Fighting French, the one man who has emerged from the fall of France. As such it is asked by his partisans and emotional sympathizers why the United States has not given him full recognition.

The other side of the de Gaulle character is best portrayed by his own actions, which reveal him as one of the world's most difficult people.

He is explained as a personification of psychologically sick France. Defeated, overrun by the Germans for four years, governed by Nazi

collaborationists at home, undernourished, fighting underground, it is small wonder that the average Frenchman today possesses a terrible inferiority complex and behaves accordingly. If General de Gaulle typifies that spirit he can perhaps be pardoned, but that still does not make him easier to deal with. His presumption is colossal, and apparently growing.

He began his career as head of Fighting French military resistance modestly enough. The British had their troubles with him before the United States was forced into the war, but the British were apparently determined that even if de Gaulle were a bad boy, he would be their bad boy and they'd make the best of him, willy nilly.

Even after North Africa was liberated de Gaulle was not too tough. He came to Casablanca in January, 1943, met Giraud and agreed to get along with him. Six months later, when the French Committee of National Liberation was established in Algiers, de Gaulle declared that the movement was non-political and would end when France was free.

From those positions, jump six months to New Year's Day, 1944, when de Gaulle held a reception in Algiers as head of state, and six months further to the recent action of the French Committee of National Liberation abolishing itself and changing its name to Provisional Government of the French Republic.

Can't Control Him

Politics and power have been his complete ruin. De Gaulle's ditching of General Giraud was not protested by either the British or American governments, but it is considered typical of his inability to get along with anyone he cannot dominate. The British have had little success in trying to control him, but they go on being nice to him, apparently with the hope that after the war's over de Gaulle will be inclined to be friendly.

Instances of de Gaulle's inability to cooperate are numerous. Since the liberation of North Africa, his administration has been able to build up certain stockpiles of locally-produced cereals and oils. Instead of throwing these stockpiles into the common military hopper with British and American supplies, however, the French supplies are being held back, presumably as relief to his own officials.

Bulk of both military and civilian relief supplies for France has, of course, come from the United States, including some \$322,000,000 worth of lend-lease supplies for North Africa. Even the arms smuggled into the French underground by the British have been American made. But there has been no thanks from de Gaulle since lend-lease was first opened by his forces in July, 1942.

Whatever the French Committee has bought and paid for out of its own revenues and such French Republic funds as it could lay hands on, has gone for civilian supplies. All military supplies for the French Army have been charged up against British and American governments as a cost of the war, and have been furnished free to the French.

Obstreperous

On the question of providing currency for the invasion forces, de Gaulle balked at the use of francs backed by Great Britain and the United States. What he wanted was to have the currency issued in the name of his provisional government and distributed only by his men.

The climax of his obstreperousness came just before the invasion when, standing safely on the shores of England, he blasted three times at General Eisenhower. First against the terms of Eisenhower's proclamation to the French people. Second against Eisenhower's arrangements for civil and military government in liberated French areas. Third by refusing to allow more than 20 officers of his army to act as liaison between the Allied armies and the French people and by instructing those hand-picked officers to work against the Allied military government.

What can you do with a man like that? A good bet would be that six months after all of France is liberated, the French people themselves will have torn him to shreds.

Hitler Still Has Plenty



Territory in France seized by Allies totals only 1740 sq. mi., compared to 1,264,749 sq. mi. held by Germans

Responsible Allied authorities have warned against over-optimism stemming from initial success of Allied invasion of France. Map above shows French territory now in Allied hands as small dent in vast expanse of Hitler's Europe.

Clint Dunagan Is Installed As Head Of Texas Jaycees At Dinner-Dance

Clint Dunagan, young Midland businessman, was installed as president of Texas Jaycees at a dinner-dance Friday evening in Hotel Scharbauer's Crystal Ballroom, and immediately announced that the preservation of free enterprise would be a prime plank in their program during the next 12 months.

In outlining the program, he emphasized the opportunities of the organization for training executives and for developing civic consciousness.

Dunagan described the program as one of "aggressive optimism," and promised to carry it to every Jaycee organization in the Lone Star State.

"We represent the men now in the armed forces," he said, "and it is up to us to have for them when they return the kind of American life they left and the kind of free enterprise they expect. The preservation of free enterprise is a major problem. We now are at the crossroads in government and must decide between paternalism or free government. We benefit most from free enterprise."

"It is our responsibility to see that the men in the armed forces get what they are fighting for."

He discussed problems between capital and labor and said it now is time for employers and employees to cooperate in a new era.

Oliver, president of the Jaycees, said there is lots more work to do. "The benefits will be extended to thousands of other young men," Oliver said. "The success of the organization rests both on the members and their leaders. He said more than 7,000 Jaycees now are active in Texas in more than 60 clubs and "the time has come for each to be a doer. Jaycees want action."

Oliver praised Dunagan's record with the Jaycees, saying the membership in Texas increased 900 during the last 12 months while Dunagan headed the state membership committee.

U. A. Hyde of Midland was installed a secretary of Texas Jaycees. Curt Inman, a past president of Midland Jaycees, was toastmaster. Speakers included M. C. Ulmer.

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Scratch One Rat



French underground patriots crossed off one name on their long list of traitors to be liquidated when Philippe Henriot, above, was assassinated in his Paris bedroom. Vichy Propaganda Minister Henriot had long record of collaboration with Nazis.

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Soil Conservation District News

Stubble mulch farming really pays off, Jim Baker told a Soil Conservation Service farm planner this week. "If you don't believe it," Baker said, "take a look at the feed crop in this field and compare it with that on the field across the fence."

Baker used a buster with the wings off and a wide sweep to plow one field. The grain sorghum on this field was six to eight inches high. On the field which he listed in the usual way, the sorghum was only two to four inches high. Both fields were planted about the same time. Stubble mulch farming not only cuts more water into the ground but makes the land easier to work, Baker said. Baker also has his land terraced and farms his rows on the contour with the terraces.

D. W. McDonald, who is also farming his land on the contour this year, reported the rows stood full of water from end to end, and one field which, before contouring, had to be planted as soon as possible after a rain, was planted last this year because it held so much moisture.

R. D. Byerly, who is farming the Curmitt place south of Midland, stated that contouring his south field had stopped it from washing this year. Byerly believes the contour rows will insure a good crop by holding the rain on the field, as well as keep it from washing.

Other cooperators reporting benefits from contours were I. J. Howard, W. B. Franklin, M. S. Woolard and Virgil Hogue.

E. G. Bedford harvested a crop of alfalfa last week. Although he irrigated the alfalfa, which he has been growing for three years, Bedford believes it will grow under dry land farming conditions. His alfalfa was three to four feet high when cut. He estimates he will get several more cuttings this year.

Applications For Milk Subsidy Payments Being Taken At AAA Office

Applications are now being taken at the AAA office for dairy payments for May and June, William H. Waddle, secretary of the Midland County AAA, announced Saturday.

The subsidy payments made to dairy producers will be paid at the rate of 6 cents a pound for butterfat and 45 cents a hundred-weight for whole milk.

MOBILE "POWER PLANTS"

A large electrical firm is manufacturing a number of "power trains," completely equipped, mobile railroad units to restore electricity and power temporarily in areas cleared of Nazis, who usually demolish utility plants as they retreat.

GERMANY'S FIRST AIR RAID

Germany's first raid on England occurred more than 29 years ago when, on Jan. 19, 1915, Yarmouth and surrounding towns were raided.

Ready for War Bond 'D-Day'



Willard B. Simmons, Texarkana druggist, who sparked idea for spectacular opening of Fifth War Loan in the famed Texas-Arkansas border town, is pictured going over final plans with I. N. Williams, who wrote a special Fifth War Loan pledge for women.

Only 40 Per Cent Of Farmers Have Signed Performance Sheets

Only about 40 per cent of Midland County farmers have signed their 1944 performance sheets, William H. Waddle, secretary of the Midland County AAA, said Saturday.

The sheets must be signed before application can be made for soil conservation payments, Waddle pointed out. The performance sheets can be signed at the AAA office in the courthouse.

In Hospital

Mr. John H. Thomas, 406 North Weatherford, employed at Midland Army Air Field, is a patient in the Western Clinic Hospital. His condition is satisfactory.

According to legend, the weaving of silk began when Si-Ling-Chi, the Queen Consort of Hoang-Ti, emperor of China, studied the activities of silk worms and invented the processes needed to turn silk into cloth.

First Grasshopper Damage Reported

Midland County farmers were warned Saturday by County Agent I. O. Sturkie to be on the alert for grasshoppers.

First report of the pests striking crops in the county this year came to Sturkie's office this week. Damage to crops was averted by putting out poison.

The grasshoppers are most likely to strike fields that are surrounded by pastures, Sturkie said, and he cautioned owners of such fields to be on the lookout for appearance of the pests so poison can be put out.

"Grasshoppers are not likely to become a menace over the county generally, and by being watchful damage to crops can be held to a minimum," the county agent added.

PIN-UPS AID RECOVERY

DARWIN—(AP)—Photographs of pin-up girls are used in Northern Australian military hospitals to help patients recover the use of arms and legs. They are fastened on splints in such a way that the men must use the weakened muscles to look at them. The scheme works.

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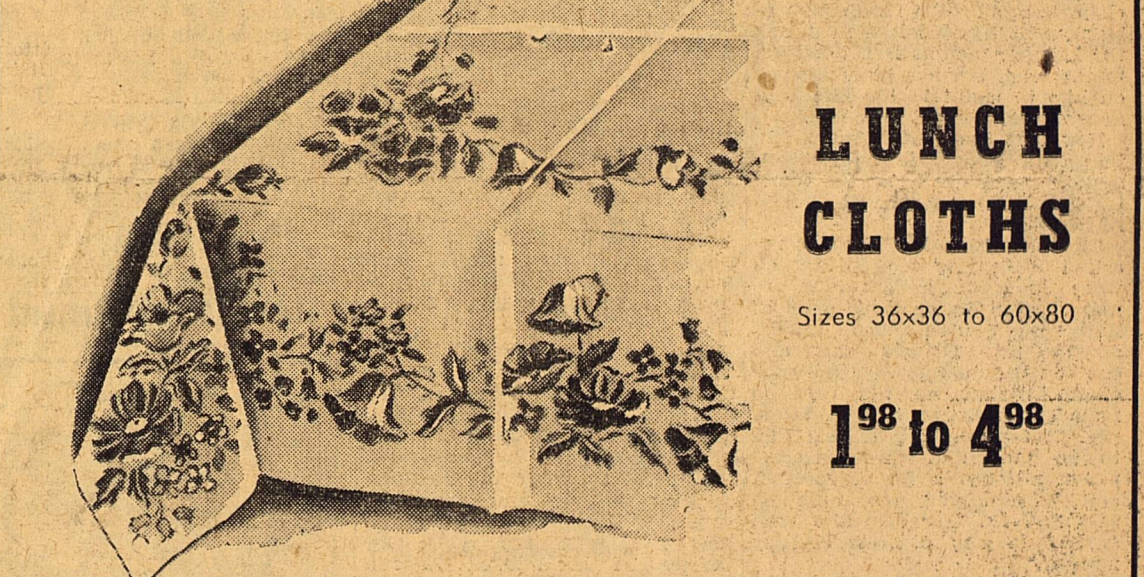
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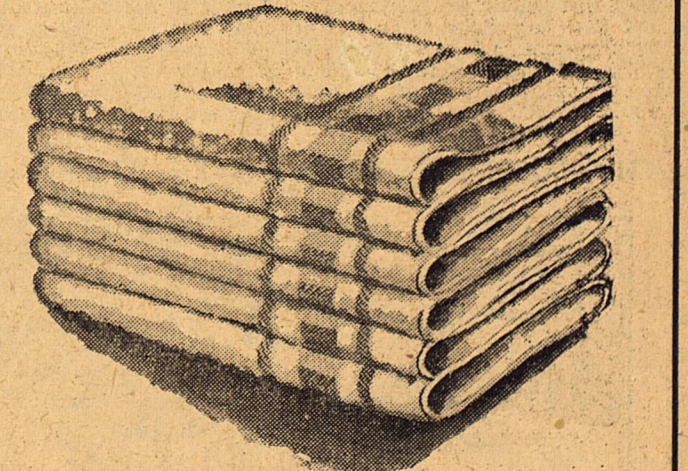
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Lovely hand printed cotton cloths. The rich colorful designs will perk up your furniture, brighten up your dining room or kitchen and give a new glow to your dishes. These cloths are neatly hemmed, washable and easy to iron.



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Thick, absorbent Terry towels in solid white. The body is strong, firm loop weave. Securely finished sides and hems. 22x44 size, only 79c

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What about us? The children of your fighting men? Some of us have never seen our daddies. Most of our mommies have to work. So we don't see them very much. Mornings, they give us our breakfast before they have to take us to the day nursery or leave us in the care of a neighbor or a nurse, or, perhaps, our grandmothers. Nights, they're tired. They don't have time to hold us in their arms as long as we'd really like...

Often during the day we feel lonely. And scared. We don't exactly know why. Nor what to do about it. We sit and rub our eyes. Or else we cry. At the nursery, we like to be facing the door so as to be the first to see our mommies when they come for us.

They are not as happy as toddlers could be. There are over 14 million of them, too. . . ages one to five. And these are their important years. Years when their greatest need is the special and loving care of their own fathers and mothers in the security of their own homes. If you keep on buying more and more War Bonds, you will make that possible for them. You will be sending their daddies home to them all the sooner. You owe that much to them. . . these children are your future.

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God's Front Porch

A Novel By KETTI FRINGS

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To Those Who Came In Late: This is the story of what happened to Pinky Harrison after he was killed in a fashole. The scene is Heavenly Bend Junction, half-way point between the Earth and Big Valley. Travelers stay here until they stop looking back to Earth.

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THE day was interminable for Pinky. It worried the old man to watch him worry. A dozen times that day he tried to drop encouraging little hints to Pinky: First, the fact that Timothy had been down there before. "Don't you remember, Pinky, when your mother was sick? I sent him that time." Pinky only nodded. And then for a while the old man tried just talking about Timothy—re-marking how, for all his faults, Timothy was one of the finest characters in this world. He reminded Pinky of how, just before Timothy died, he got up out of his death bed, yelled for a hammer and nails, and nailed that banging shutter there at the bedroom window. Nailed it fast and then went back to bed and died. "Energetic to the last."

"Oh, he's energetic enough," Pinky admitted, then with sudden intense feeling: "Look, you don't have to try to sell him to me. I've loved him all my life. Only, I just happen to know how he is about errands."

EVENING was worse. God made a great effort at dinner. Julie said, afterwards, that she'd never seen him so nice and putting him-

self out so much, to make things so pleasant. But that was because Rion was there—and because Emily was watching Rion's face so eagerly and was so pleased when God talked to him just like anybody, like he was one of theirs. But afterwards, when Emily and Rion had found their own corner of the porch, the old man just sort of hung around like one lost. Then, finally, muttering something about "going out to turn up the stars a little brighter—have a messenger out, you know," he started down the steps.

"Want to come, Pinky?" "If you don't mind."

PINKY sat at the base of the large rock that was known as Lookout Point, waiting for God to come down. The old man had come up to the top of the rock a few minutes before with his star-lighter. Maybe it was a few minutes. Maybe it was hours. All time was like that to Pinky. But now he heard him climbing down. "My, that was a job," God was panting a little. "Funny thing happened, too. One little star... I was raising all hell with it... couldn't get it to brighten a bit. Know what, son?" The old man sat down beside him, shook his head, chuckled faintly. "It wasn't a star at all... it was the tail-light of an airplane!"

Pinky shook his head. "Excuse me, Father, for changing the subject, but—"

"You're not changing any subject. It's on my mind too, Pinky."

"Will Timothy come by this way?"

"Should."

"But look—" Pinky's gray eyes were filled with tenseness, "you must know what happened! Why don't you tell me?"

"Because I don't know, Pinky. I've been afraid to look!"

They sat in silence for a while. Then suddenly: "Father, why

don't you destroy all that mess down there?"

"That's what they don't understand. I'm not a destructive person, Pinky. I've tried. I just can't."

"But if you just got angry a little."

"Oh, I've been angry—" and the old man told him about all the times that he'd brought storms and floods, but how it hadn't done any good. "They just don't listen to that anymore."

"Maybe a miracle?"

"There's even less hope for that. Don't you realize, Pinky, now they've out-miracled me for the last half century?"

Never had Pinky felt so sorry for him as he did now, and yet the old man wasn't really bitter about it. He told Pinky of how he had once opened the sea, and of how men now drew music and words right out of the air. He mentioned the visions that he'd shown them down through the signs compared to the miracle of seeing something in a tiny box that was happening hundreds of miles away?

Faintly, in the distance, they heard the weird ghostly shriek of air-raid sirens.

"Lights going off again all over the world," God shook his head, then looked up at the sky, and a glow of pride came into his eyes and into his voice: "They'll never put my stars out though!"

PINKY had fallen asleep. But there were voices somewhere now, and he struggled to wake. Timothy's voice and the old man's. He forced his eyes open, saw the two of them standing in front of him—not looking at him though, but bending over a tiny bundle. And there was a voice from the bundle too... the small, thin, crying voice of a baby.

Pinky sprang up, in wild terror. "You got there too late!"

Timothy turned to face him, and there were tears in his eyes. "Don't you want to look at her, Pinky? She's so darling!"

Sobbing, Pinky turned and fled down the narrow path which led back to the town.

(To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
America's Card Authority

Many players in the south will be pleased to know that the Southern Appalachian sectional tournament will be reinstated in Asheville, N. C., this year. Sam D. Holt, the chairman, who is confined most of the time to the Veterans' Hospital at Oteen, N. C., hopes to be well enough to be on hand to erect his many bridge friends August 25 to 27.

Here is an interesting hand that I saw Sam play at the Southern Appalachian tournament a few years ago. He was presented with an interesting problem as soon as North, his partner, responded to his opening bid with two diamonds. Sam felt sure that he and his partner could make a game, and there were definite chances of a slam if North held first or second round control of spades.

On the other hand, East and West, not vulnerable, might easily have a paying save at six spades. The bid of the void club suit on the second round was planned to induce East and West to believe that they might defeat the slam contract.

Everything worked out as Sam planned. East and West at six spades would have gone down only two or three tricks. In the play North lost only the king of spades.

Storks that summer in Denmark spend winters on the Nile.

♠ Q 9 2 ♠ A K 10
♥ 8 5 3 2 ♥ 7 6 5 4
♦ 4 2 ♦ 4
♣ A 10 8 2 ♣ J 9 7 3

Dealer

Holt
♠ 8 3
♥ A J 10 9 7 6
♦ A Q J 10 5
♣ None

Duplicate—N-S. vul.

South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ 2 ♠
3 ♣ Pass 6 ♣ Pass
6 ♣ Pass Pass Pass

Opening—♠ K.

28 Marriage Licenses Issued Here In June

Cupid apparently ran out of arrows last month in Midland. Only 28 marriage licenses were issued at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble, and one of those was returned unused.

May was a somewhat better month with 34 licenses issued. Cupid slipped somewhat in April when 29 licenses were taken out. Thirty-five licenses were issued in March and 30 in February.

PROWLER NADS PURSE HOLDING CASH, RATION BOOKS

A Midland resident living in the 1300 block of West Texas reported to police Saturday that a prowler entered his house Friday night while all the family was in the front yard.

A purse containing \$10 and ration books were missing.

Two or three years after the kapok tree starts to produce, it will yield about 600 pods, containing a total of about six pounds of fiber, every year.

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE --with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY

—By J. R. WILLIAMS

EGAD, TWIGGS' GAZE AT THESE RELICS—A BATTERED KNOB FROM A BRASS BED THAT JAKE TRIED TO SELL ME FOR A GOLD NUGGET—ONE OF HIS DIAMOND RINGS OF PURE WINDSHIELD GLASS—HAK-KAFF!

MY WORD! I HAD FORGOTTEN THIS LEASE IN THE BIG DITCH OIL FIELDS—JOVE! IS THAT?

IF JAKE PEDDLED THAT, IT'S A LUCKY FIND, MAJOR—FOR THE PAPER COLLECTION!

I THINK THAT'S A COINCIDENCE—HE'S TOO DOPEY IN THE MORNINGS TO GO TO ALL OF THAT TROUBLE!

COINCIDENCE, BAH! HE'S NEVER TOO DOPEY TO RUB IT INTO ME! THAT'S A CARTOON OF ME AND I WON'T MAKE HIS BED UNTILL YOU QUIT SIDING IN WITH HIM!

JAKE WOULDN'T GIVE AN ESKIMO A SNOWBALL.

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

—By EDGAR MARTIN

OH VERY WELL, IT'S USELESS TO CONTINUE THE HOAX! JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE.

THERE! I SHALL THROW MYSELF UPON YOUR MERCY!

YOU RECOGNIZE ME, OF COURSE.

MIGUEL DON WAYNE, TH' MOVIE STAR!

BUT... BUT... ON THE SCREEN...?

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Politicians Debate Kind Of Drive Dewey Will Make For President

By PETER EDSON
Reporter-Telegram Washington Correspondent

CHICAGO—The big question now is "What kind of a campaign will Thomas E. Dewey make for the Presidency?"

Some of his New York backers claim that all this shrinking violet pose he has indulged in during the last few months is not natural to the man, but has been imposed on him to maintain the idea that he was being drafted for office.

Now that the nomination is his, they say, Dewey is expected to speak out and really let the country see what a great man he is.

Advice Both Ways

The governor has already received some very good advice on what kind of a campaign to make," says George Z. Medaille of New York, who as Federal district attorney was Dewey's boss and one of the men who gave the candidate his start on the road to fame as an assistant U. S. attorney. "Some people have told him to go out on a whirlwind campaign, making a lot of speeches and barnstorming the country," says Medaille. "He has also been advised to stay at home and say nothing."

After all, look what that latter policy got him. The old American political ideal of letting the office seek the man instead of vice-versa, has been revived by Dewey in a big way.

Not Till It's In The Bag

Right up to the end, he stuck to this mythical business that he was being drafted for office. When it became apparent on the first day of the convention that Dewey had enough delegates to win on the first ballot by acclamation, and that he might as well quit kidding and come on out to Chicago to take over, he hung back. The theory was that it wouldn't look right for him to

start to Chicago until he actually had the nomination in the bag.

If Dewey's personal appearance before the convention gives the delegates any kind of a big moment and sends them home with anything resembling enthusiasm, it will be the first and only thrill of the proceedings.

I-A Or I-F?

The whole doldrum was a limp, dishrag goings on, right in keeping with the spirit of the draft age. The volunteers, the men like Bricker and Dirksen who were willing to serve their country at such great sacrifice, got no place.

The man who had to be coaxed got the job. All that has to be decided now is whether Draftees Dewey and Warren are I-A and A-I, or whether I-F is going to stand for a fourth term for Franklin.

One generally accepted line of thought has been that if by fall the liberation of Europe or of the war against Japan or both of them are well along, Dewey will stand a better chance of election because the "indispensability" of Roosevelt to carry on the war will then have passed, and the dislike of the New Deal plus the desire for change can be allowed to run rampant.

Opinions Vary

Some of the politicians at Chicago question the correctness of that psychology. While agreeing that the emotional reactions of the voters to the war situation at election time may have a lot more to do in deciding the election than any deep dish debates on important issues, it is contended that Dewey may have a better chance of election if the war is still tough than if it was well on the way to being over.

The reasoning follows this line. If the war is still on, the discontent with Roosevelt and the New Deal will continue at their present

highs. On this basis, if the election were to be held next Tuesday, Dewey would stand a good chance of being elected. If, however, the war is ended by late October, Roosevelt will be the great leader who won it and therefore would stand a better chance of being re-elected.

Figure it out for yourself.

ARRIVES OVERSEAS

Sgt. Ella Bratt, formerly assigned to the bombing record section at Midland Army Air Field and famous on the field as one of the outstanding softball pitchers in the WAC Detachment, has arrived overseas.

MAN FINED \$50 COSTS

A Midland man was fined \$50 and costs in justice court Friday afternoon on a charge of intoxication. Since there was evidence he had been driving a car while intoxicated he surrendered his driver's license for 90 days.

HOLD EVERYTHING

“Do these prices include a war bond?”

MR. MCGOOSSEY HAS A SMALL LOT AT NEARBY STAR LAKE ON WHICH HE WOULD LIKE TO RAISE SOME VEGETABLES. SO FRECKLES AND LARD HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO DO THE FARMING...

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WE'VE DONE IT ALREADY, POP!

WE'VE GOT IT PILED UP AT THE SIDE OF THE GARAGE!

I'D BETTER CHECK IT TO SEE THAT YOU HAVEN'T MISSED ANYTHING!

I THOUGHT YOU BOYS WERE GOING UP THERE TO RAISE VEGETABLES!

WELL, GEE, THERES A HAND TROWEL IN THERE SOME PLACE!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

DETAIL FOR TODAY

Boot

A BOOT is the lowest form of life in the Navy or Coast Guard—a recruit in training. The BOOT is made to do everything that no one else cares to do. He has difficulty fitting in anywhere—even in his G. I. clothes. These always have a tendency to overlap the places they should stop, or stop at the places they should overlap. The BOOT has some consolation, though. First—he can't sink any lower, and second—he can dream of the day he will no longer be a BOOT. Other than getting a 10-day leave, there is no better feeling for the BOOT than leaving BOOT camp.

FRICKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

—By MERRILL BLOSSER

WASH TUBBS

EASY RETURNS TO HIS BASE IN NORTHERN NEW GUINEA.

WITH RONGA IN OUR HANDS, WE'LL SOON HAVE AN AIR STRIP THAT—

PARDON ME, SIR, BUT...

.. NATIVES JUST BROUGHT IN SOME JAP PRISONERS!

LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT 'EM, EASY!

EIGHT O' THEM! NICE HAUL!

SWELL! WE'LL ENCOURAGE THIS SORT OF THING. THE NATIVES CAN BE A HELP IN ROUNDING UP JAPS STILL HOLDING OUT IN THIS VICINITY!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

RED RYDER

—By FRED HARMAN

YOU'LL BOTH BE NICE AND COOL IN THIS LOCKED STORE ROOM?

IT'S CHILLY OUTSIDE BUT YOU WON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT?

AND WHILE TH' TOWN FOLKS ARE WATCHIN' TH' FIRE, I'LL BE A BACKDOOR VISITOR AT TH' BANK!

FIRE!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

ALLEY OOP

—By V. T. HAMLIN

SO YOU THINK MY APPEARANCE IS THE SUCCESS OF MY MISSION HERE?

I'M SURE OF IT! NOW, IF YOU LOOKED LIKE ONE OF SOLOMON'S BIG SHOTS...

YOU MEAN LIKE THAT DUDE?

WELL, HE'S LIKELY LOOKING BIRD!

AWRIGHT, AZRO, HOW'S THIS?

AH! CAPITAL, AS FAR AS IT GOES!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

THIS CURIOUS WORLD —By William Ferguson

AN AFRIKAN NATIVE, IN GOOD CONDITION, CAN RUN AN ELAND ANTELOPE UNTIL IT DROPS FROM EXHAUSTION, ALTHOUGH THE CHASE MAY EXTEND TWENTY MILES OR MORE.

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

KWIK KOMOR

WHAT AMERICAN NAVAL OFFICER OF THE 19TH CENTURY HAS BEEN CALLED THE "PATHFINDER OF THE SEAS," BECAUSE OF HIS NAVIGATION CHARTS?

SOME CATERPILLARS OUTGROW AND SHED THEIR SKIN EIGHT TIMES WHILE GROWING UP!

ANSWER: Lieut. Matthew F. Maury.

NEXT: That wonderful bird, the pelican!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY 7-1

"I got good news today, Eddie—the doc will be too busy to take out my tonsils and adenoids till after school starts!"

What It Means—Revolt Against The New Deal

By HERMAN R. ALLEN

WASHINGTON—An anti-Roosevelt movement in the Democratic party could result — and entirely constitutionally—in election of the next President by the House of Representatives.

This would be possible because of the antiquated system of elections, which in modern times has amounted to only a technicality. You will recall that voters don't vote for President (or Vice President) directly. They vote for electors, who in turn choose these two officials. Electors are assumed to be committed to vote for a certain candidate, and a vote for them is regarded as the same as a vote for the candidate himself.

Sparked By Southerners

The anti-administration movement is sparked by certain Southerners. They voice the fear that the platform adopted by the Democratic convention will not meet their demands as regards the poll tax, racial equality and similar matters.

If they don't like the platform, these Democrats propose to name electors who will vote for a third candidate, rather than for President Roosevelt if he is nominated for a fourth term.

The South of course is heavily Democratic, but if anti-G.D.R. strategy is carried through, Democrats in some southern states may have to vote against President Roosevelt, if he is nominated, even though they are for him. The convention has nothing to say about how electors are chosen. That's up to state legislatures, some of which administration opponents may be able to control.

The result might be to split the electoral vote three ways so that neither the Republican candidate nor the "regular" Democratic candidate gets more than half. In that case, the Constitution provides that the President be chosen by the House.

November House Election

New House members will be chosen in November, at the same time as electors. If every member had a vote, then it would be fairly easy to tell how the vote for President would go if it were thrown into the House.

But it isn't done that way. The Constitution says that each state's House delegation shall have one having the greatest strength in the vote. This means that the group each delegation—Republican, Democrat or anti-Roosevelt—will swing that delegation's vote.

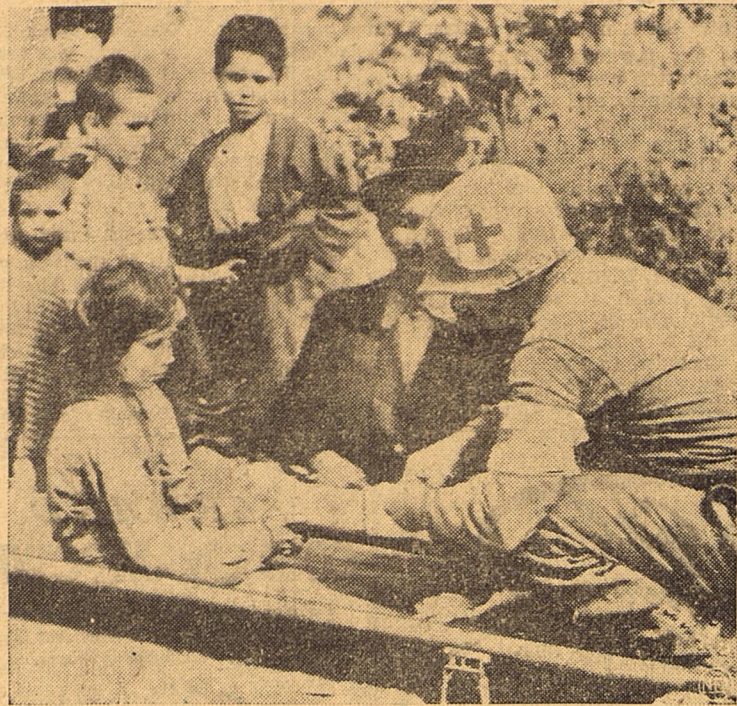
There's no telling for sure what the complexion of the House will be after November. Even if the Republicans win control, it might not matter in a House vote for President.

States That Balance

Massachusetts or Michigan could go 100 per cent Republican and still it wouldn't make any difference because their delegations are already mostly Republican. New York, on the other hand, is quite delicately balanced, and three states—Washington, West Virginia and Idaho—are tied, so that one change in their delegations could throw them to one candidate or the other. The same is true in the four states which have only one representative—Delaware, Nevada, Vermont and Wyoming.

If the electors fail to name a vice president, the Constitution says one shall be named by the Senate. Here the issue is a little clearer. Each senator has a vote.

Help for an Innocent Victim



(Signal Corps Radio-Telephoto from NKA) While her father and a group of her friends watches, an American medical corpsman tenderly dresses the leg of a little Italian girl, wounded during the fighting in Castellinorato area.

\$40,000 Cleaning Job Scheduled On U. S. Capitol Building

By LYN CROST

WASHINGTON —(AP)—"Freedom" at the United States Capitol is going to get cleaned up this month for the first time in five years. So are the 8,900,000-pound iron dome and part of the building—all for \$40,000.

The bronze statue which has looked out over the vast political stamping ground of Capitol Hill from atop the dome for 81 years, will get a linseed oil bath.

And it will take 2,000 gallons of paint, seven weeks and 35 painters to do the job on the dome and central part of the Capitol.

Freedom, probably the only lady ever to get a 35-gun salute (at her dedication), stands 19 1/2 feet high, weighs 14,985 pounds and cost \$23,796.82.

But withal, she's one of the lesser works of David Lynn, Capitol architect, and Arthur (Gus) Cook, supervising engineer, bosses of the nation's number one housecleaning job.

This year the political campaign will complicate matters. Many offices normally vacant in summer will be in use throughout the congressional recess.

But in the Capitol itself there will remain to be cleaned 14 acres of floor, 430 rooms, 679 windows, 550 doorways plus 17,376 feet of skylights, 108 windows in the dome and 12 main staircases.

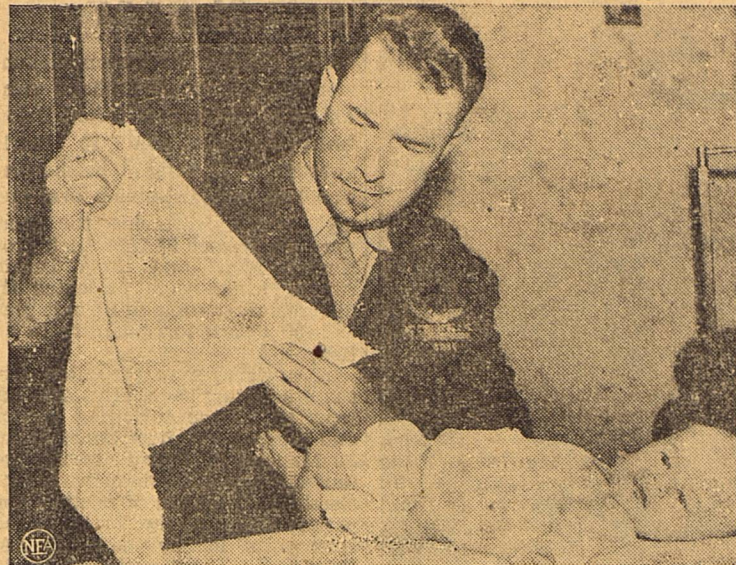
Wants Rubber Mats

Gus, the nation's number one housekeeper, is a bachelor. But he probably knows more of the fine points of housekeeping than many a matron.

Gus' pet postwar project is new rubber mats to go under the spittoons, replacing those given the rubber drive.

Congressional tobacco chewers (only a few left now) have "pretty good" aim, says Gus. But that doesn't mean a bull's eye every time.

War Is Easy—This Has Him Panting



Maj. William Andrew Smith of Columbus, O., has made thousands of three-point landings during three years as Flying Fortress pilot, but gets his controls mixed when he tries to make a three-point landing with a diaper on his 6-week-old son, William. Major Smith, former star tackle on Michigan's 1940 team, completed more than 90 missions in the south Pacific, holds the Purple Heart, Silver Star with two clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with three clusters and the Air Medal with one.

49th Bombing Mission Caused AAF Bombardier To Get Superstitious

Normally not at all superstitious, Lt. Wilmer R. Kendall freely confessed that he worked up quite a lather over his 49th bombing mission in the Mediterranean theater. After being scheduled for his 49th mission he was withdrawn at the last minute from the crew, another bombardier was substituted — and the plane failed to return. A few days later he was again suddenly withdrawn from his scheduled 49th mission. That plane also failed to return. Two days later the same thing happened. By that time the lieutenant's superstitious streak had widened perceptibly.

And he says that after he was finally in flight on his thrice-postponed mission he didn't draw a complete breath until his Fortress had taxied to a halt on its return to home base. He completed one more mission and was then sent back to the United States.

Spent 10 Months Overseas

Recently returned to Midland Army Air Field to attend the instructors school, Lieutenant Kendall spent almost ten months in overseas duty. During that period he spent 392 hours on high-altitude, precision bombing missions. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Purple Heart and the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters.

From their bases in North Africa and Italy, Lieutenant Kendall's group participated in missions over many of the most hotly defended targets within range of their big bombers, in Greece, Italy, France and Austria.

However, an unscheduled raid was the most surprising one in which Lieutenant Kendall ever took part. He was in the leading wing of a formation that was supposed to bomb the railroad bridge at Centalido, in Central Italy but they had been briefed on an alternate target in case they found that the bridge had been bombed out by an earlier formation.

Arriving at Centalido they found that the bridge was indeed out and started for their alternate target.

The countryside spread out below them, fields and orchards and vineyards climbing the steep slopes of the hills. Suddenly from a valley perfectly camouflaged to match the surrounding country belched the most devastatingly accurate anti-aircraft fire that the group had ever experienced. Only one bomber was shot down but every single plane in the formation was damaged in some way. Lieutenant Kendall's ship, "The Impatient Virgin," had 59 holes in it, "not counting the little ones." The stabilizers and lighting systems were out, the nose replaced, the engines overhauled and patches placed on all of the wings.

Cleverly Hidden Nest

The group later discovered that the Germans had used their camouflage to such clever advantage that not even Allied Intelligence (which knows a great deal) was aware that Jerry had hidden in the valley a large airfield, big railroad marshalling yards and a factory for aircraft parts.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded to Lieutenant Kendall because while acting as lead bombardier for his group on one of the

MAAF Prop Wash

Story of the Week

Ranking somewhere close to "SNAFU" in Army parlance it "BTO," which is the alphabetical abbreviation for "Big Time Operator," or the "GI with the super-inside track."

Yank, the Army Weekly, described the BTO recently as one "who is always working on a deal" and who is always promising to fix thee up, but doth it not?

Now, without adding any particular credence to Yank's description of the species, it can be noted that there is a general feeling among the enlisted personnel at MAAF that one outstanding BTO lives and breathes in the public relations office there. Cpl. Pat R. Cuda is the man. And he "operates full time."

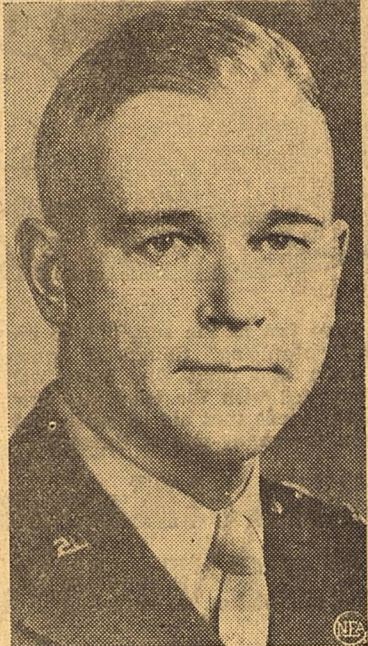
Far into the night he can be found in the public relations office "working" on something or other. He probably puts in more actual office hours than any other man on the field, which may explain how he has a "hand" in so many varied activities. At least the "hand" definitely is in on most everything. In fact, the boys have just come to accept it as a certainty.

Roundup On "Hit the Sky"

It was "Yip Yap, Yap Yank" in 1918. "This is the Army" in 1943, and along came Midland Army Air Field to knock both those grand shows out of the history books with "Hit the Sky," 1944's greatest all-around variety show. The show was one of the biggest ever staged in West Texas, and a real hit. It was one of the most astounding—full of laughs, gags, songs—with beautiful gals and guys in colorful costumes.

The GI boys, especially, were "ripped" throughout the three performances, as they ran around the Service Club and up and down the stage, all painted up and dressed in many different styles of costumes. Some in GI "John L's" (long GI undergarments), some in white satin chorus girl dresses, and others in dancing costumes like the "nymphet" wear. One GI wore a folded bedsheet as his only covering. During

Wins Cherbourg



For his leadership of the U. S. Army's Seventh Corps, which did a "magnificent job" in capturing Cherbourg, Maj.-Gen. Joseph Lawton Collins, above, was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster for his Distinguished Service Medal. General Collins also led a victorious division on Gaudancian.

Midland Sergeant Now Stationed In England

Sgt. William Neill, who was employed by the Texas Electric Service Company before entering the Army, is now stationed at an air service command depot in England, public relations office of the United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe has announced.

Sergeant Neill's unit helps in maintaining a smooth flow of vital parts and equipment to combat planes. He is the husband of Mrs. Genell Neill, of Midland.

OLD BELIEF

Our ancestors of not so many years ago believed that one slept better if the head of the bed pointed due north, in order that the body might be lulled by the magnetic currents that were thought to flow from the North to the South poles.

ARISTOTLE'S BELIEF

Aristotle, most profound thinker of the ancient world and sometimes described as the best educated man of any age, taught that the brain was a sponge to keep the blood cool.

Ohio; Pvt. Clyde D. McMullin, of Redfield, Pa.; and Pvt. Raymond R. Kasinski, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Sergeant Beams On Wedding Day

Sgt. Frank E. Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Neal, of Westbrook, Texas, and Miss Nancy Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Price, of Colorado City, will be united in marriage Sunday in the First Baptist Church at Colorado City, by J. D. Simons.

Best man will be Sgt. Raymond Monkross, of MAAF, and maid of honor will be the bride's sister, Miss Mary Price.

Following the wedding, a large reception will be held at the home of the bride.

Sergeant Neal attended Texas Tech at Lubbock, and Miss Price attended Texas University. They will make their home in Midland.

Farewell Barbecue, Dance

Cadet Class 44-9, which graduated Saturday morning, held their graduation party last Thursday night with a barbecue and dance at the auditorium in Odessa.

Following the feasting session, the cadets and their guests moved over to the large indoor dancing hall, where the "Jive Bombers" of the 630th AAF band played for the dancing.

The barbecue was prepared by the Chuck Wagon Gang, under the direction of Lieut. Howard A. Thomas, Class 44-9's tactical officer, and the beverages were furnished by the cadet mess officer, Lieut. James W. Hogan.

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Many Midland Workers To Get Triple Holiday

Many employees of Midland business establishments will enjoy a triple holiday starting Sunday as a number of business concerns have indicated they will close Monday, in addition to the traditional closing for the Fourth.

All Midland cleaning establishments and the Midland Steam Laundry have announced they will be closed both Monday and Tuesday. The A & L Housing and Lumber Company, Burton-Lingo Company, Higginbotham-Bartlett Company and Rockwell Brothers Lumber Company have all announced they will be closed Monday and Tuesday.

Banks Close Tuesday

Both Midland banks will be open Monday, but closed Tuesday. Most public offices will be open Monday and closed Tuesday.

Midland feed stores have announced they will be open Monday and closed Tuesday.

Most downtown retail concerns, with the exception of grocery stores and some service establishments, had signed a petition Saturday stating they were in favor of closing both Monday and Tuesday.

Here's A Treat For Tired, Aching Feet

Toss feet extra crumbs of comfort and play up to their vanity a bit, if you want more uncomplaining support during hot weather.

They rate a bath of their own—a foot bath—with a soap of the granular or powdery type, which because it's not easy to lay forces you to manipulate and massage your feet in order to whip up lather—a circulation rousette that keeps them in finer fettle.

Feet rate your best towel technique, which is an upward not downward flourish. They're more comfortable after they're dry when dusted with their own powder, which is less apt to cake if skin perspires, than the usual body powder.

Nails filed straight across make feet feel and look better — and keep toes out of trouble. As vanity indulgence, coat nails with vivid color, if feet are sun-drenched. If not, settle for colorless jackets that make toenail look clinically clean.

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Farmers Gin
Midland Feed Store
Midland Marketing Association
Lewis Feed and Farm Supply

Dowman Presents Wings To MAAF Bombardiers

Midland Army Air Field's 37th class of bombardiers was graduated Saturday morning. The exercises were held at the Post theater, with Col. Charles H. Dowman, commanding officer of the field, presiding. Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey pronounced the invocation. The oath of office was administered by Major Carl W. Allen, secretary of the department of training at the bombardier school; Colonel Dowman awarded the commissions and Lt. Col. Howard E. Watkins, deputy of training and operations, awarded the bombardier wings to the newly commissioned officers.

Want To Brag A Little

"You, our graduates, are concrete evidence that our training mission is being accomplished," said Colonel Dowman in addressing the graduating class. "We are counting on each of you to enable us to follow your activities, wherever you may be assigned, with even greater pride. We look forward, in the case of each of you, to the opportunity of bragging a little, to the chance of saying 'he was one of our graduates.'"

"You may be sure, when you leave here, that your abilities and qualifications will be employed to the best interest of the service. That is one promise that we, at this station, can make to you now."

Colonel Dowman then introduced the speaker of the morning, Lt. Thomas B. Applewhite, who on his eleventh mission over Fortress Europe had to land on a burning bomber while over enemy territory and then "walked back" to his base in England. While on overseas duty Lieutenant Applewhite participated in raids on such hotly defended targets as Bremen, Lorient, Emden, Wilhelmshaven, Munster and Schweinfurt. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster.

A Main Feature

"The silver wings you have earned are the symbol of your membership in the fraternity of airmen," Lieutenant Applewhite told the class. "You are officers who have been entrusted with our most highly specialized and efficient method of waging war with our enemies. Bombing started as a side-show in the first World War, when one sighted along a row of nails driven into the fuselage of the plane and then guessed before throwing by hand a thirty pound bomb out of the plane. And bombing has wound up as one of the most important features of this war. You men have been trained to enable you to place tons of bombs exactly where they will do the most damage."

"Study is the one thing that will enable you to make the most of the skill that has been taught to you," went on the lieutenant. "Your lead bombardier officers will assign targets to you for intensive study. And you'll better study those targets because you can never know when your special knowledge will be of vital interest to your whole group. Let me give you an example of what I mean."

Cites Example

"A new bombardier in our group was assigned for special study a fighter airport at Aachen, Germany, just beyond the Dutch border. On the day in question we were supposed to pull a raid on a factory in the Ruhr Valley. Just after we passed the Dutch border we began to encounter bad weather and shortly after that our meteorologist in England radioed us to turn back. Our alternate target was still deeper in Germany, and it also was covered by the thick clouds."

"Then our lead bombardier noticed that we were in the vicinity of Aachen. He called the new bombardier who had been assigned to the airport there for study and asked him if he could positively identify the target and the camouflaged revetment and hangar area. The bombardier told him that he could and the lead ship said, 'Well, it's your baby now' and pulled back, the wing ship pulled into the lead and swung on the proper heading to make the raid on Aachen."

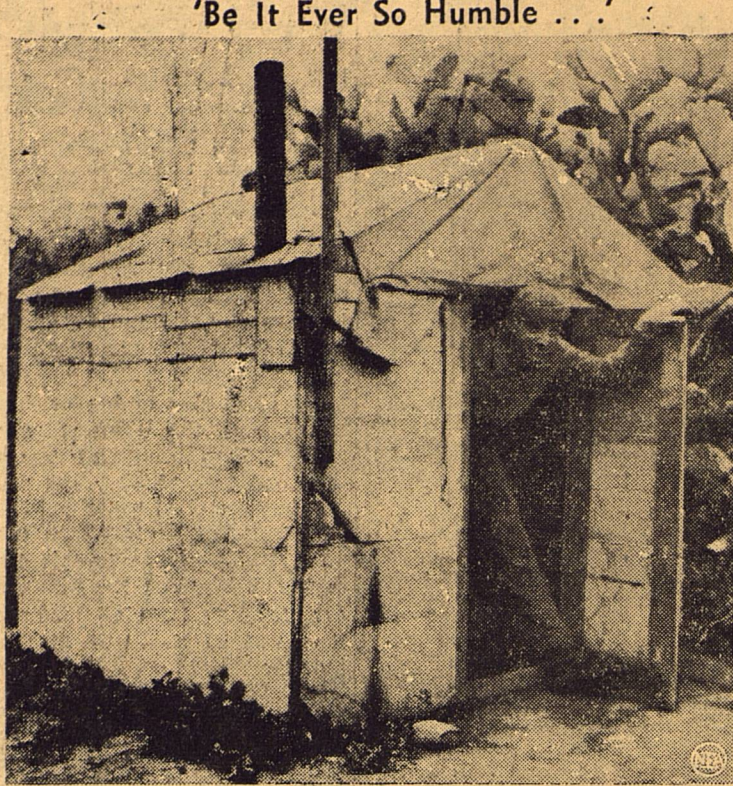
Mission A Success

"The rest of the ships opened their bomb bay doors when the new bombardier opened the doors of his ship, and a few minutes later we all dropped our bombs. The result was that a lot of Messerschmitts that had taken passes at each American group as it crossed the coast and had then returned to their base to refuel and rearm to await our return, were caught on the ground. What had started out as an incomplete mission due to a shift in weather had thus turned into a smashing successful raid, all because of one bombardier's study and resourcefulness."

"As outstanding cadet of his class, Lt. Kenneth E. McLaughlin was presented with a silver trophy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. McLaughlin of Plentywood, Mont."

Chaplain Bennen Y. Swope pronounced the benediction at the end of the exercises.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the 630th AAF Band under the direction of M/Sgt. Thomas Marcell.



As crude a shack as this might be, it's a lot more comfortable than an Army tent, at least so thinks Col. Charles Nowicki of Toledo, O., who is seen emerging from door of his home-made "home" at a U. S. bomber station in Sardinia.

MAAF 'Nine-er Stuff' Course Irons Out Plane 'Party-Line' Conversation

"I tried out that 'nine-er' stuff on the pilot yesterday," said the bombardier who had spent 11 months in the China-Burma-India theater. "Boy, did I surprise him! Kind of surprised myself, for that matter. He got every word I said. First time we hadn't had any trouble over the intercom. After we came down he says that we must have a new intercom system in. Then he says, 'Where'd you pick up that nine-er talk, boy?' That was the only thing he noticed. So I told him, 'Don't think he believed me, though.'"

The young bombardier was a member of one of the new classes in voice communication recently started at Army Air Forces Instructors School (bombardier) at Midland Army Air Field, as a part of the Army Air Forces' program to iron out difficulties in the intercommunication system as used on fighting planes. "Nine-er" is the way the men are being taught to say "nine" over the intercommunication system in order to distinguish it from "five." They are taught plenty of more important things, but the word "nine-er" tickles their fancy so they have labeled the whole course "nine-er" stuff.

Taught Officers Students

After a preliminary phase of intensive experimentation, the course in voice communication is now being taught to the officer-students at the instructors' school. Those men, who will later be assigned to "det" schools throughout the country, will in their turn teach the "improved system" to the new men going out to combat.

In the first hurried months of the war, while turning out thousands of trained pilots, navigators, bombardiers and gunners, one of the few things taken for granted was that Americans knew how to talk over the telephone and that the only thing the members of a plane crew had to be taught about the intercommunication system was the actual mechanical method of using the equipment and the phonetic system of spelling out difficult words such as proper names. (The Air Corps slang "Roger," meaning "okay," comes from the radio communications phonetic alphabet, Roger being phonetic for the letter "r," which in turn means "received.")

As the war progressed it became increasingly evident that talking over the telephone in battle has but little relation to telephoning within the sacred confines of the home, when you have all the time in the world to repeat yourself, when no lives are at stake and when you can shush the vociferous offspring who prevent you hearing properly.

Conversation Trouble

But think of combat conditions, with solid bursts of ack-ack and machine gun fire sounding within the close confines of the plane like the incessant firing of cannon. Think of trying to talk over the phone while you track a Jap or Nazi fighter in your sights and at the same time keep both eyes peeled for other enemy planes. Think of carrying on a conversation of vital importance, with no chance for endless repetitions and with a split-second of time marking the difference between a chance for survival and certain death in flames.

The first thing the men do when they enter the voice communication class is to undergo an intelligibility test. They all wear the regulation intercom head-sets and use the regulation mikes, either throat or head type. Each man is asked to read a list of words that have been chosen after thousands of tests because of the difficulty of hearing them over the telephone. As he reads the words the other men in the class write down the words. The number of words heard correctly by the rest of the men in the class gives the rating of intelligibility.

As the last period of the class, another test of exactly the same sort is given, with different lists of words having the same weighed difficulty as the first list. The difference in intelligibility that a few hours of instruction make is impressive to those returned combat men, especially when they realize that the bad intercom habits they have been solidifying during months of battle experience may be partly corrected in so short a time. Can't Understand Own Voice

The most revealing test is the

30 Aerial Awards Given At MAAF

Col. Charles H. Dowman, commanding officer of Midland Army Air Field, set a new record Friday when he presented 30 "aerial awards" to 15 veteran bombardiers who had won distinction over enemy territory. Among the group were six former MAAF "Hell from Heaven Men" and three Texans, two of whom were presented the Silver Star, the fourth highest presidential award for gallantry in action.

The awards were presented after the graduating cadet class 44-9 had reported to the reviewing section, and Wing Commander Cadet Arthur R. Mancini of Detroit, Mich., presented Colonel Dowman with 44.9's classbook. The men of Section A in parade review at the formal retreat ceremonies, led by the 630th AAF Band under the direction of Master Sgt. Thomas Marcell.

In addition to Colonel Dowman, the reviewing party included Lt. Col. Burton H. Rowden, deputy of administration and services; Lt. Col. Charles C. Corbin, assistant deputy of training and operations; Major Harry E. Phelps, commandant of cadets; Major Robert E. Swift, assistant director of training; AAFIS (E); Major Joseph E. Stiles, director of flying; AAFBS; Major Henry Obel, MAAF post adjutant, and Capt. Carmel Nixon, assistant MAAF post adjutant. Major Obel read the citations for the numerous awards.

2,800 Federal Auto Use Stamps Sold At Midland Post Office

Approximately 2,800 federal car use stamps had been sold at the Midland post office by Saturday morning, Acting Postmaster N. G. Oates announced Saturday.

It is now a violation of the law to drive any motor vehicle that is used on the highways without federal stamp attached to the windshield.

The number of stamps sold at the Midland office will probably increase by about 50 as late buyers come in, Oates said. Experience at the office has shown this to be about the average number of late purchasers.

MARITIME FATALITIES DOWN

American merchant seamen in the present war have suffered greater losses in relation to their numbers than any branch of the armed services, although the severity of losses declined sharply during 1942. In the first third of 1943, losses exceeded 300 a month while during the last eight months of that year the toll of dead and missing American seamen averaged less than 50 a month.

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Lieutenant Keith volunteered in September, 1942. He is a former city judge here and a former member of the draft board.

TO ATTEND ROPING MATCH

When a roping match is held next Sunday at the ball park at Lamesa, Bob Murray will be there with his horse, "Buddy." Murray plans to leave Wednesday or Thursday, to be in Lamesa for the roping match.

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Stamford Texas Cowboy Reunion, Two Day Event, To Start Monday

STAMFORD—The Texas Cowboy Reunion, probably the world's largest round-up of cowboys, both old and young, will get underway Monday, July 3, at 11 o'clock a.m., with a gigantic War Bond parade, and two thrill-cramped days await visitors in Stamford then.

Record breaking entries are assured, and committee chairmen are making hurried last-minute arrangements to take care of the overflow.

More entries in rodeo events have already been tabulated than ever before at this date, according to A. M. G. Swenson, chairman, and the official American Quarter Horse entry list is now much heavier than at any previous show. The ticket committee has been doing a rushing business, and while reserve seats are available, all box seats were sold two weeks ago.

The Monday War Bond parade has mushroomed into one of the most spectacular features of the entire two-day program. Headed by its own 60-piece band, the 12th Armored Division, Camp Barkley will parade a display of military equipment in the interests of the Fifth War Loan drive.

Included in the big military display will be five General Sherman tanks, light tanks and other heavy

armored pieces. This equipment of a powerful nation at war will mingle with memories of the Old West as ranch chuck wagons, cowgirl sponsors and hundreds of mounted cowboys join the procession. Decorated floats for the Red Cross and Fifth War Loan will also stress the War Loan drive.

The sponsor list increases each day and more than 30 sponsors will be entered in this contest. The following towns and sponsors were listed the past week, bringing the total to 30: Waco, Nancy Wade; Thurber HC Ranch, Debra Cobb; Hamlin, Jessie Myers; Reagan County, Hollis Holt; Roscoe, Iris Dorsett; Fort Worth, Annette Carothers; Roby, Guyva B. Davis; Odessa, Mary Harris; and Seymour Farr Ranch, Thena Mae Farr.

After the morning matinee, the big rodeo performances get underway at 2 o'clock each afternoon and night shows begin at 8 p.m. Rodeo officials say the rodeo stock is fresh and mean, and some mighty hard rides are in store for the cowhands. First servings from the chuck wagons will be ready Monday noon, and square and modern dances each night will complete a full program for each day of the Reunion.

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