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ALLIED ARMIES REACH WESER

Americans Heading For Borneo

By LEONARD MILLIMAN
Associated Press War Editor
Leap-frogging 41st Division assault forces invaded three islands at the southern tip of the Philippines where they seized a former Japanese naval base and two airfields, posing a new threat Wednesday to Borneo, scarcely 30 miles away.

The landing on Tawitawi and capture of neighboring Sangasanga and Bongao islands appeared to be as easy as the Okinawa campaign at the other end of the Western Pacific front, 325 miles south of Japan.

Marines and the Army's 7th infantry division scooped up a 10-square-mile area of South Central Okinawa, including a score of villages, and advanced toward two more airfields and the first sign of an established enemy defense line.

Some 300 Superforts kept the war blazing over Japan itself with precision attacks on Tokyo, Shizuoka, Tachikawa and Kojima, all within a 50-mile radius. Pilots reported no opposition as they attacked through thick clouds. Some B-29s even swept low enough to strafe ground objectives. Tokyo radio claimed three Superforts were brought down.

Allied bombers and carrier planes destroyed or damaged 48 Japanese ships and small craft and knocked out 33 enemy planes in sweeps ranging from the Ryukyus down the Chinese coast to the Dutch Indies.

More power for Allied naval operations against the Japanese was reported on its way as the Office of War Information estimated the Nipponese fleet has lost a fifth of its personnel. OWI placed Japanese naval personnel losses at 262,000, with perhaps 850,000 left. American naval casualties were 92,819, including 35,750 dead, with more than 2,000,000 now on duty.

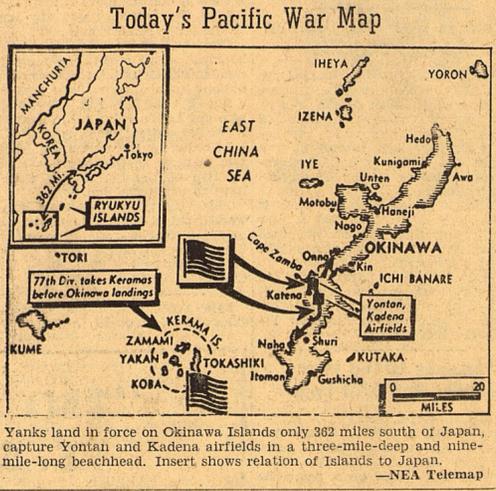
British Fleet Joins Fight
Radio Tokyo said a great British fleet was headed toward the Indian (Continued on Page 5)

N-W Dawson Test Swabbed 148 BO Through Casing
By JAMES C. WATSON,
Oil Editor
Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1 Cole, Northwest Dawson County wildcat, in section 48, block M, EL survey, about one and one-half miles southwest of nearest production in the Welch-Nelson area, swabbed 148 barrels of oil, no water, through casing, from total depth of 4,835 feet, in line, and was still testing.

No time was given on swabbing, but it is thought to have been rather short, as the casing swab would get the fluid out rapidly.
More Shows
Shell Oil Company, Inc., and Cities Service Oil Company No. 1-A Thomas, section 8, block 45, TP survey, T-1-S, in West Ector County, recovered 360 feet of very heavily

SUN'S WHEELER FLOWS FOR 57.32 BOPD FROM 'BURGER' NATURAL
Sun Oil Company No. 1 Wheeler, in northeast corner of section 13, block B-7, psi survey, one-half mile west of the Wheeler-Ellenburger field, in East Winkler County, flowed 144.33 barrels of 44.2 gravity oil from perforations in Ellenburger at 10,590-000 feet, natural. That gives the well a 24-hour potential of 57.32 barrels from that zone. Gas-oil ratio was 1,240-1. Flow was through a one-fourth inch choke.
This development tested for a daily potential of 370.63 barrels of oil from Devonian at 8,540-90 feet. The well will be equally completed, to be first such operation in the Wheeler area.

oil and gas cut drilling mud during a drillstem test at 8,501-8,610 feet, in what is thought to be the Silurian. It was drilled ahead below 8,618 feet in line and chert.
Shell and Texaco No. 1 Ratliff & Bedford, section 4, block 73, psi survey, in Southwest Andrews County, had progressed to 9,256 feet, in line and was continuing. No recent tests have been reported.
Slight Signs
Texaco No. 1 Blinberry, section 19-22S-38E, Southeast Lea County, (Continued on Page 5)



Navy Halves May Draft Call With Further Reduction Seen

WASHINGTON—(P)—The Navy has halved its May draft call and may ask for still fewer men in June.
This will reduce overall Selective Service calls 12 per cent or more from the current rate of about 132,000 men a month. They had been scheduled to continue at that pace through June.

Halving the Navy requirements will put its May call at roughly 100,000 registrants.
Officials who know these things in advance of public announcements added that this quota may be cut further in June and even more sharply thereafter, because the Navy expected to reach peak strength of about 3,600,000 men by July 1.

Serious Food Shortage To Force Decision
By The Associated Press
WASHINGTON—The present serious meat shortage may force an official decision soon whether Americans are to have more pork now and less next year or less now and more in 1946.

The possibility that this country may have to slaughter breeding hogs in order to meet current needs was disclosed Wednesday as:
One senator investigating food shortages expressed concern that any further cut in civilian supplies might spur black market operations.

Army Needs Fifth More
The Army said it needs 20 per cent more food this year than last and that it will take 12 per cent of the available supply, estimated at 280,000,000 pounds, and United Nations representatives discussed ways of better sharing their food.

The Army's food estimate figures were given by Undersecretary of War Patterson, who said "the possibility of early victory in Europe holds little hope" for a cut in its needs.
Problem Will Increase
Patterson asserted the problem of feeding liberated and occupied areas "will increase tremendously" and that troops in Europe will require increasing quantities of such perishable foods as meats and fresh dairy products.

The undersecretary reiterated that "the Army has no stockpile of food."
Some officials within WFA are urging a fall pig production goal of 37,000,000 head, a 20 per cent increase over last fall's small crop. These pigs, however, would not be ready for market before the spring of 1946.

U. S. Engineers Plan To Blast Mississippi Dams

NEW ORLEANS—(P)—Army engineers depended Wednesday on the opening of the huge Morganza floodway to save the Lower Mississippi Valley from a flood comparable to the disastrous 1927 overflow.
They planned to open the floodway for the first time as soon as possible within the next ten days. Families must move out of the area. Railroads and utility companies have to make their arrangements.

The floodway covers 630,000 acres through its 100-mile course. To open it engineers will blast out a six-mile section of the main river levee at the spillway head.
Along the Mississippi's tributaries, hundreds of families were driven from their homes as the streams headed toward record crests.

In Memphis U. S. engineers reported that water was pouring over the top of Jackson Bayou levee on the White River in Arkansas and a break could come at any time.

Soviets Entering Vienna

LONDON—(P)—Powerful Soviet tank and infantry forces, surging through the administrative district of Greater Vienna, smashed Wednesday to within six miles of the city proper, now within easy reach of Soviet artillery.

Two massive Russian armies already have deprived the defenders of Vienna of the great bastion of Wiener Neustadt, 22 miles to the south, and were closely pressing Bratislava, 24 miles east of the Austrian capital's city limits.

Viener Neustadt, one of the biggest aircraft production centers of all Europe, fell to Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian Army which drove on 16 miles to the southwest, capturing Neunkirchen and Gloggnitz. The Russians cut the main Vienna-Venice railroad and a trans-Alpine highway connecting the war arsenals of Austria and Czechoslovakia with German troops in Italy.

Nearing Berchtesgaden
At Gloggnitz the Russians were within seven miles of the 3,215-foot Semmering Pass and were 137 miles east of Adolf Hitler's mountain retreat at Berchtesgaden.

In the drive on Vienna another wing of Tolbukhin's army capitalized on a crossing of the Leitha River and dashed 17 miles through a web of highways and railroads, each an enemy defense line.

Meanwhile, Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's Second Ukrainian Army hurled a 20-mile siege arc around Bratislava, capital of the puppet state of Slovakia, and drove within three-quarters of a mile of the city itself with the capture of the suburb of Prjevoz. Bratislava was outflanked on the southwest by a two-day Russian advance of 20 miles along the south bank of the Danube River.

Kremnica Captured
Extending its active front to 123 miles the Second Ukrainian Army captured Kremnica, 10 miles west of Banska Bystrica in Central Slovakia, and was threatening the key junction of Zilina, 35 miles to the north.

Moscow announced that the Second and Third Ukrainian armies had captured 23,000 prisoners Tuesday, boosting to 75,150 the number taken in Austria, Hungary and Slovakia in three days.

Far to the north the Second White Russian Army took Neudorf, 20 miles southeast of captured Danzig on the planes of the Vistula delta.

Public Debt Limit Upped 40 Billions

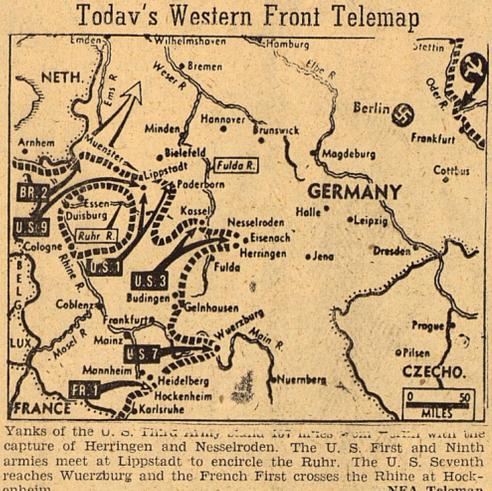
WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt has approved legislation increasing the public debt limit from \$260,000,000,000 to \$300,000,000,000. The White House said Wednesday that the President signed the measure Tuesday.

War Bulletins

MOSCOW—(AP)—The next few hours may disclose whether Marshal Feodor I. Tolbukhin intends to strike directly into Vienna immediately or first to cut the sprawling city off from communications up the Danube Valley.

LONDON—(AP)—A very strong force of American heavy bombers, estimated to number 1,400, spearheaded a 3,000-plane assault on Germany Wednesday and struck submarine yards at Kiel and Hamburg and a number of airfields over a wide area of the Northern Reich.

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary of State Stettinius wrote Senator Taft (R-Ohio) Wednesday that he is confident "a fair solution will be reached" by a three-nation commission on composition of a Provisional Polish Government.



WAR AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
WESTERN FRONT: British topped Osnobruock, 60 miles from Bremen, and Muenster, and sped onward; Canadians drove closer to Zuider Zee in drive to trap Germans in Holland; U. S. Third advanced beyond Gotha; U. S. Seventh captured Aschaffenburg.

RUSSIAN FRONT: Two Russian Armies hammered at Bratislava and ranged within administrative limits of Vienna; Austrian capital within easy artillery range.

ITALIAN FRONT: British units linked on strip between Volli di Comacchio lagoon and Adriatic.

PACIFIC FRONT: Twin American drives moved south toward Naha, Okinawa capital; U. S. forces won control of enemy naval base of Tawitawi, 30 miles north of Borneo.

Senator Connally Says Two Peace Meetings Possible

WASHINGTON—(P)—Senator Connally (D-Tex) suggested Wednesday that two peace conferences instead of one may draw the map of the future world.

Connally, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and a delegate to the San Francisco United Nations Conference, said an early victory in Europe may hasten a peace meeting before the war against Japan is won.

One For Europe, One For Japan
"It is conceivable that there may be the necessity for two peace conferences—one to settle the war in Europe and the other to settle the war in the Pacific," he told a reporter.

Noting that Russia is not now a participant in the hostilities against Japan, the Texan said he felt time might be gained in placing in operation a proposed peace-keeping league if Europe's political problems are thrashed out quickly.

The fate of Russia's bid for three votes in the general assembly of that league remained in doubt meanwhile following State Department disclosure that the United States will seek only one while supporting the Soviet request.

Apparently this question will be laid before the assembly commission at San Francisco. This commission is one of four to be created when the temporary organization is formed under the direction of the four sponsoring nations, the United States, Great Britain, Russia and China.

HMCS Uganda Joins British Pacific Fleet
SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA—(P)—H. M. C. S. Uganda, the Royal Canadian Navy's first cruiser, has joined the British Pacific Fleet.
The warship, commanded by Capt. E. R. Mainguy of Duncan, B. C., is the first unit of the Canadian fighting services to enter the war in the Pacific.

Speeding Third Army On Thuringian Plain 133 Miles Of Berlin

PARIS—(P)—Allied armies reached the Weser and Ems rivers Wednesday, pouring through bedraggled German lines within 48 miles of the North Sea and 38 of the great Prussian stronghold of Hannover.

In the center, the Third Army burst out into the rolling Thuringian Plain in the heart of Germany and the battleground of Middle Europe, 133 miles from Berlin and 58 from Czechoslovakia.

The French First Army captured Karlsruhe, capital of Baden and a major industrial and traffic center of 189,000 six miles east of the Rhine. It was heavily fortified and once a pivot of the Siegfried Line.

The American Seventh Army, flanking the Black Forest, fought to within 34 miles of Nuernberg and into the heart of Wuertzburg, Bavarian capital of Lower Franconia.

The cities of Muenster, Osnabrueck, Fulda, Aschaffenburg, Siegen and Bruchsal were captured. Kassel, Wuertzburg, Gotha, Hamm, Wuerzburg, Engelo and Zutphen were menaced.

Blackout Imposed
The British Second Army, strong in armor, was racing toward the North Sea so swiftly that Field Marshal Montgomery again imposed a partial security blackout, to confuse 90,000 or less German he hopes to trap in Holland. The Canadians directly menaced Arnheim and moved within 20 miles of the Zuider Zee, forming a trap within the larger trap and threatening hourly to interdict the V-bomb coast from which the Nazis bombed England.

The British reached the Ems 45 miles northwest of Osnabrueck—a city where the main roads to Holland and north from the Ruhr converge. The American Ninth Army reached the Weser and imposed the threat to Hannover, tied to all North Germany by railroads. The Weser and Elbe are the last large streams on the high road to Berlin.

Kesseling In Trap
With the First Army, the Ninth compressed the annihilation pocket in the Ruhr to a perimeter of 100 miles and up to 150,000 doomed German troops were reported caught in the encirclement. All German efforts to break the ring were frustrated.

The Ninth Army captured almost 13,000 Germans Tuesday in its drive to the Weser along one of Hitler's (Continued on Page 4)

Baruch Passes Visit With Churchill To Talk To American GIs

LONDON—(P)—Bernard M. Baruch, adviser to President Roosevelt, said Wednesday that "One reason I'm over here is to hold the big stick over the big boys to make damn sure they're not going to foul up the peace."

Baruch, who has found a park bench—this time in Hyde Park—to hold forth with American soldiers, mildly brushed off a call from Prime Minister Churchill to give an interview to a Stars and Stripes reporter.

"To De-Industrialize"
"We've got to de-industrialize Germany and Japan—at least for a generation," Baruch said in an interview with Victory Lasky, the Army newspaper reporter, "so they won't resort to war again. Also we've got to see that those subsidized slave-labor countries do not again flood the world with their cheap products, lowering the standard of living in the United States."

Baruch predicted there would be such a wave of prosperity in the United States after the war that none of the service men overseas would have to worry about a job.

During the interview in the 75-year-old financier's suite in the Claridge the telephone rang and Baruch's secretary told him the prime minister was calling.
"Hello, Winston, this is Bernie," Baruch said. "Look Winston, I'm busy this afternoon, I'll drop over later."

Texan Receives Rare Award



Capt. Wilbraham A. Haffson of Cameron, Texas, displays the citation which accompanies the rare Huachow Medal (shown on blouse), the first of its kind to come to the much-bemadalled returned-from-combat bombardier now at Midland Army Air Field, the AAF Training Command's key bombardier base. The medal and scroll were presented to Captain Haffson by Col. John W. White, post commander at MAAF, in behalf of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, for "displaying gallantry and undaunted spirit in action and for achieving excellent results in destroying enemy targets." A veteran of fifty combat missions as a bombardier-navigator against the Japs in China, the captain has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal. Captain Haffson recently completed the refresher course for returned-from-combat bombardiers at MAAF and will remain at the bombardier base as an instructor.

Weather
MIDLAND AND VICINITY
Continued fair Wednesday afternoon and Thursday. Continued cool.

Midland Has High Winds And 30 Degree Reading
A wind attaining a velocity of 62 miles per hour at 6:30 p. m. Tuesday and a below freezing temperature of 30 degrees registered at 6:30 a. m. Wednesday, gave Midlanders a touch of rough weather.

A maximum temperature of 82 degrees was registered from 4:30 to 5 p. m. Tuesday, but as the winds began they sent the mercury tumbling.

Relief from the cold was in sight with the thermometer predicted to register a little less than 40 degrees during the night, and warmer temperatures forecast for Thursday.

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I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.—Revelation 3:8.

Our Obsolete Weapons

You don't hear any doleful complaints these days about the superiority of German weapons over ours. The smashing impact of what military leaders have called "the final assault on Germany" has ended debate and quieted fears most effectively.

But probably it is still true that Germany is being beaten with the help of equipment that is definitely outmoded. If we have jet-propelled planes or robot bombs in action, it has been so recently that security will not let the fact be known. Admittedly, the Germans beat us to them.

Until recently our tanks have been less powerful, less maneuverable and less heavily armored than the Germans'. And there is still an argument over how well the new Pershing tank will stand up against the Nazi Panthers and Tigers. It has also been charged that many of our small arms are inferior to the German counterparts.

Even Hitler could scarcely argue, however, that the Allies are not doing right well with what, by the swiftly changing standards of scientific war, are old-fashioned tactics, too. For the Western Front generals have cut up, confused and trapped the Germans with the same sort of swift thrusting warfare than the Germans used so successfully in 1940.

The Allies may not have any jet planes in action. But their outmoded bombers, protected by outmoded fighters, have plastered German industry so regularly and effectively that the Luftwaffe doesn't have many of them, either.

We may not have any robot bombs. But the British have a new development of the old-fashioned bomb which weighs 11 tons, and is infinitely more accurate and powerful than the flying variety.

This doesn't mean that jet planes and flying bombs are not necessities of modern war, or that we shouldn't have them. It does seem to prove, however, that secret and mysterious military devices can be a deciding factor when an enemy insists upon throwing obsolescent equipment in such abundance that full-scale production of new, war-winning weapons can't even get started.

Buy War Bonds and Savings Stamps

Paper Shortage

The reading public will be fascinated to know that volume three of "Federal Power Commission Reports" has come off the government presses in Washington. It presents the Commission's opinions and decisions from Jan. 1, 1942, to Sept. 30, 1943. It is a stout volume of 1180 pages.

Be sure to save every scrap of salvageable waste paper. Maybe some of it will find its way into "Federal Power Commissions Reports, Vol. IV."

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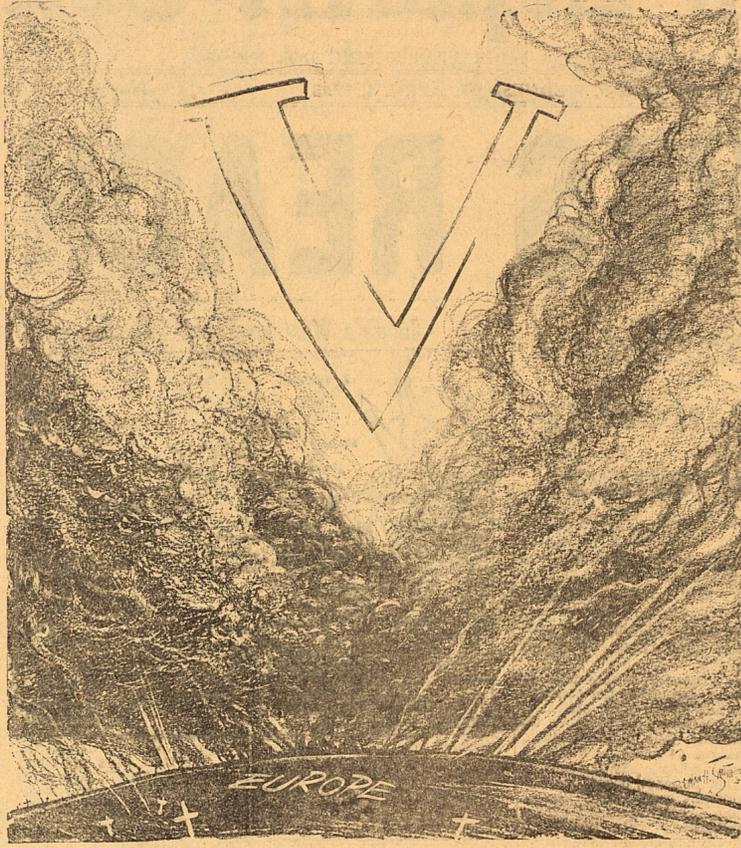
Not Serious Yet

Columbia University reports that "Science of Man in the World Crisis" is outselling "Forever Amber" at the university book store. But we shan't write our editorial on The Changing Younger Generation until we hear that charts and graphs have replaced the pin-up girl on barracks walls.

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We are more discontented from failure to satisfy our desires than from failure to satisfy our wants.

Breaking Through



THE WAR TODAY

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst

There is no more important development in the volcanic Hitlerian war as this is written than news that Marshal Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian Army is flinging itself against the outer defense line of Vienna and that the battle for the Austrian capital—Nazidom's second largest city—is joined.

This fight for Austria—first country seized by Hitler in his campaign of brigandage—is of vast moment militarily, for it is the back door to the Reich and imperils the fuhrer's scheme for making a final stand in the Alps. But it's more than that. Involved is a political significance—a question of sphere of influence—which will provide a further test of the strength of Big Three unity.

Nazis Resisting Fiercely
The Nazis are reported to be resisting the Red onslaught fiercely. Those of you who remember Vienna in its happier days, as I do, will perhaps wish that this fine old city on the bank of the mythically "Blue" but nevertheless beautiful Danube might be spared destruction. Still, the way the battle begins it seems rather a forlorn hope that the ancient and attractive buildings of the inner city, and the famous Ringstrasse, will escape heavy damage.

However that may be, Vienna must be wrested from the Boche. In order to understand the full meaning of this situation we must go back to the Moscow conference of the Big Three foreign ministers in '43. At that time the basis for cooperation among Russia, Britain and America in Austria was laid, and it was agreed that the independence of this country—an unwilling and helpless victim of aggression—should be restored.

All Should Participate
It was further agreed that Amer-

Yes Sir; No Sir; Can I Have A Date Sir!

KETCHIKAN, ALASKA — (AP) — Boots are being shined and Christmas neckties dug out of the closets in anticipation of the arrival of a contingent of SPARS and the local paper is fighting a losing battle in trying to convince the bachelors hereabouts that all SPAR officers should be addressed as "Sir."

The newspaper had no answer for the subscriber who asked: "How would I feel callin' up one of them girls and saying, 'Can I have a date, Sir?'"

Small Haul And Robber Leaves Cigarettes

BENOIT, MISS. — (AP) — The robber or robbers who broke into the Bank of Benoit over the weekend apparently didn't smoke.

W. W. Rothchild, cashier, disclosed 42 pennies were taken, but a carton of cigarettes was ignored.

Windfall

JAMESTOWN, N. Y. — (AP) — Chautauque lakeshore residents picked fish off their lawn after a windstorm that sent waves over a breakwater.

ican and British, as well as Russian forces, should participate in the liberation of Austria.

The progress of the Western Allied Armies make it possible that the original idea of having all the Allies participate in Austria's liberation may still work out. Elements of the American Third and Seventh Armies are headed in that direction and may be in time to join in the fray.

Meantime we get the highly interesting, though unconfirmed, report that the Nazi authorities have executed 6,000 people in Vienna for defeatism, sabotage and demonstrations. This is a reminder that there is a distinct chance of a revolution against the Hitlerites — a revolt which Moscow radio has strongly urged on the Austrian people.

Duffey Elected Monahans Mayor

MONAHANS — In a hotly contested municipal election here Tuesday, Ed Duffey was reelected mayor. He received 240 votes.

Earl Earp, former city attorney, received 168 votes and Dr. E. J. Cook 147.

W. H. Aggy was reelected alderman with 272 votes and W. M. Lee was elected an alderman with 381 votes. Two other candidates, W. M. Casey with 263 votes and O. A. Bruton with 81 votes, were in the race.

Lloyd Sevier, unopposed for city marshal, received 517 votes, and Mrs. Bernine Dubose, unopposed for city secretary, received 555 votes.

Texans Get Half Million In Old Age Benefits

GALVESTON — (AP) — Texans are receiving monthly benefits of more than a half million dollars paid by the federal system of old-age and survivors insurance under the Social Security Act, according to a statement by James B. Marley, regional director of the Social Security Board.

Marley stated that the rate is now more than \$6,000,000 a year in Texas. The amount increased more than 13 per cent during the past six months.

Half the total payments go to former wage earners and their wives when over age 65. The other half is paid out in survivors' insurance benefits.

Marianas Island Hen Sits On Powerful Eggs

MILES CITY, MONT. — (AP) — Former Deputy Sheriff Jimmy Anderson, now serving with the Army in the Marianas Islands, wrote friends that while on a patrol he came upon a hen sitting on a nest.

"The nest contained one egg and one hand grenade," he said. "I don't know whether she hatched either of them."

BROWNWOOD VISITOR HERE

Mrs. A. C. Flemeister of Brownwood arrived in Midland Tuesday for a visit with her son, John H. Flemeister, and daughter, Mrs. E. N. Straeener.

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Dallas Unification Draws Only One Park

By The Associated Press
One municipality voted to join Dallas and two others rejected annexation in one of the major city contests which Texas voters settled Tuesday.

Preston Hollow favored unification 300 to 76. Highland Park voted 1,619 to 11,112, and University Park 2,017 to 1,726 against the plan. Dallas favored the proposal by a heavy majority.

Unification was proposed as necessary to perfect a \$25,000,000 "Master Plan" for Greater Dallas. Opponents stressed a fear that zoning restrictions would be relaxed in the Park Cities.

Metals in use are said to suffer from "fatigue."



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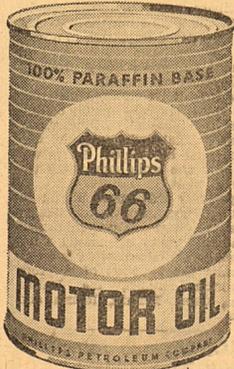
A lot of troubled car-owners would probably like to echo Junior's words. They're the patriotic motorists who want to take the best possible care of their cars... who want to be sure to get a fine quality motor oil. They say, "We know we should use a quality oil. But how can we tell which oil is fine quality?"

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Society

Musical Program Presented By Civic Music Club At DAR Meeting Tuesday

By ERMA NICHOLS
Society Editor

An afternoon of musical entertainment was enjoyed by members of the Lt. William Brewer chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution when a group from the Civic Music Club presented a program on "American Music" at the meeting Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. John P. Butler. Hostesses were Mrs. Ertle Payne and Mrs. Butler.

The living room of the Butler home was decorated with arrangements of iris and other spring flowers. After a short business session directed by Mrs. Ben Smith, regent, Mrs. F. C. Cummings of the Civic Music Club was introduced. Mrs. Cummings gave a brief review on the beginning of American music and, preceding the introduction of each member, the director gave interesting facts about the composer and each selection presented.

Opening Selection

As the opening selection on the program Mrs. Howard Swain, pianist played "Turkey in the Straw" (David Gulon). Other numbers heard during the afternoon were as follows: Violin, "The Chant" (Clarence Cameron White), "Habenera" (Eitelbert Nevin), Mrs. Edmund Hitchcock, who was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Eugene Vanderpool; piano, "Concert Polka" (Homer Bartlett), Mrs. J. B. Koenig; "Little Pickinny Kid" and "Young April" (Mrs. M. H. Guelian), Mrs. Steve Briggs, vocalist, with accompaniment by Mrs. Swain; string trio, "From a Wandering Tabor" (Edward MacDowell) and "The Sea" (MacDowell), by Mrs. Hitchcock, violinist, Mrs. Charles Henderson, cellist, and Mrs. Lee Cornelius at the piano; and "Concert Etude" (MacDowell), Mrs. Cornelius.

As the concluding number on the program two vocal selections, "Plantation Love Song" (Deems Taylor), and "Challenge" (M. Flora Todd), were presented by a double trio composed of Misses George Grant, Joe Mims, B. W. Stevens, Cummings, D. D. Downing, Tom Parker. Accompaniment was played by Mrs. Vanderpool.

Social Hour

At the close of the program a social hour was enjoyed at which time refreshments were served by the hostesses. Guests attending: Misses Cummings, Vanderpool, Koenig, Briggs, Henderson, Cornelius, Grant, Mims, Stevens, Downing, Parker, Hitchcock, Jack Lively, W. B. Neely, W. M. Osborn. Members present were Misses George Abbott, Frank Aldrich, Ben Black, Butler, Frank Elkin, George Glass, R. W. Hamilton, Hubert Hopper, George Kidd, Payne,

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Bouncing Baby



Influence of American Indian isn't entirely passe, Mrs. Jesse B. Hubbard, Washington, D. C., carries 6-months-old son, Robert Oliver, through the shopping district a-la-papoose. Contrivance was built by a friend and has been used since youngster was 10 weeks old.

Mrs. S. H. Gwyn presented a devotional from John 20 at a meeting of the Wesley Bible Class of the First Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon in the church Scherbauer Educational building.

MRS. GWYN GIVES DEVOTIONAL AT WESLEY MEETING

A recognition reading was presented by Mrs. M. J. Allen who also led in prayer. Mrs. M. D. Johnson Sr. gave a reading entitled "As Judas Might Tell It," after which a round table discussion on alcoholic beverages was led by Mrs. H. M. Reigle.

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Theater Group To Give "The Drunkard" As Next Production

Midland Civic Theater group met in regular session at the Civic Auditorium Monday evening. At this time members voted to present "The Drunkard," melodrama for their next production. Nancy McKinley will be the director.

Theater Party Held For Members Of Local B. & P. W. Organization

Mrs. Ruth Rhodes and Miss Laura Jesse entertained members of the Business and Professional Women's Club with a theater party Monday evening. The group met at the home of Mrs. Iva Noyes, 215 North Colorado, before going to the theater.

Benison Is Building And Loan Supervisor

AUSTIN—(AP)—Raymond A. Benison of Fort Worth has been appointed building and loan supervisor of Texas to succeed A. H. Knippa and has gone into military service, according to announcement from H. A. Jamison, state banking commissioner.

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Coming Events

THURSDAY

The Needlecraft Club will meet at 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Anton Theis, 601 West Kansas.

Midland Garden Club will meet at 10 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Addison Wadley, 1801 West Holloway.

A review of the book, "Footnote to Life," will be given by Mrs. Howard Markley of Odessa on the Midland County Library radio program over KRLH at 4 p. m.

A business and social meeting of the Friendly Builders Class of the First Methodist Church will meet Thursday at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. E. A. Volav, 301 North Marfield.

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

A luncheon meeting for the AAUW will be held at 1 p. m. in the Scherbauer Educational Building of the First Methodist Church.

The Play Readers annual tea will be held in the home of Mrs. W. Y. Penn, 806 West Storey, at 3 p. m.

The Treble Clef Juvenile Music Club will meet at the Watson School of Music at 11 a. m.

Children's movies will be shown in the courthouse basement at 2:30 p. m.

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Mrs. Miles Hostess For Edelweiss Meet

Mrs. Hayden Miles was hostess for the meeting of the Edelweiss Club Tuesday afternoon at her home, 208 South S Street. Bouquets of spring flowers decorated the Miles' home.

In the games of bridge, high prize for the afternoon was won by Mrs. James N. Allison, while second high went to Mrs. Clyde Cowden and guest prize to Mrs. J. L. Taylor.

Three guests, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Andrew Fasken and Mrs. R. C. Crabb, and the following members were present: Misses, Clyde Cowden, Tom Nance, Roy Parks, Hal Peck, Murphy Sprad, James N. Allison, John Dublin, Mamie Stokes and S. J. Lones.

Use Smaller Combs For Fuller Coiffures

By ALICIA HART
NEA Staff Writer

Here's a hair-raising stunt—hoisting hair with hidden combs—if you want to wear a flat-top coiff and think you can't.

Eddie Senz, famed style counselor to New York's and Hollywood's glamor girls, says to part your hair just as the youngsters do who wear it flat as a seal's on top of their heads, and swing it up from the temples. But before you swing, stick in small tuck combs for padding, which Mr. Senz says will raise hair as much as one and one-half inches.

If you want to modify your flat-top coiff, Mr. Senz suggests side rolls for your hair, lodged high above the temples, and a good trick—you'll have to have hair long enough to plait or an artificial piece for this one—is to build height across the top of your head with a braid.

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MRS. SCANNELL DIRECTOR FOR P-TA PROGRAM

A program was presented under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Scannell at the meeting of Junior High School Parent-Teacher Association Tuesday at the school. Mrs. Don Johnson, president, was in charge of the session.

Declamations on the program were by pupils of the school. During the business period, the group voted to donate clothing to foreign relief this year in the place

Three Licenses Issued At County Clerk's Office

Tuesday was a busy day at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble as three marriage licenses were issued to W. L. Powell and Ollie Kessler, William B. Nelson and Inez E. Rex, and Joseph E. Bosco and Mary Louise Dickie.

The attendance award was won by Miss Chrysta Kennedy's 6-A grade.

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PROCESSED FOODS — Book Four blue stamps C2 through G2 good through April 28; H2 through M2 good through June 2; N2 through S2 good through June 30; T2 through X2 good through July 31.

SUGAR—Book Four stamp 35 valid for five pounds through June 2. Next stamp becomes valid May 1.

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Kerr Advocates A Government That Is Responsible To People

If the American people wish to change their form of government from one of a government by the people to one of government by economic planners they have a right to do so, W. L. Kerr, Midland attorney, told members of the Lions Club at their meeting held Wednesday noon in the Crystal Ballroom of the Scharbauer Hotel.

"If the American people do decide to change our form of government which places individual responsibility upon each citizen they will lose individual liberty," he asserted.

The original idea of freedom was freedom from coercion, but there is a trend to consider freedom as freedom from want, the speaker commented.

The original idea of our government was to furnish a stable government which would not interfere with the legitimate plans of any individual citizen. Under a government of economic planning it must be prepared to meet any sudden changes in conditions, so the individual would never know what or how to plan, Kerr explained.

"If we wish to continue our form of government as we have known it we must bring that government back to the communities, and that means the communities must be prepared to accept responsibility," Kerr concluded.

The Rev. Hubert Hopper, president, presided at the meeting, and John Sewall was program chairman.

FL&WFA JOIN ESB
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Federal Loan and War Food Administrators became members of the government's Economic Stabilization Board Wednesday.

KING RECEIVES CHURCHILL
LONDON—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill was received by King George Wednesday just before the opening of the Dominions conference. It was the third time the prime minister has been received by the king within a week.

Nonsense'



"From beginning to end, it is all utter nonsense," was the comment of Dr. Heinrich Bruening, German chancellor from 1930 to 1932, now instructor of government at Harvard University, to Russian reports that he had "put forth his candidacy as the heir of Hitler."

Vinson Confirmed To Succeed Byrnes

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Fred M. Vinson was confirmed by the Senate as director of war mobilization and reconversion, succeeding James F. Byrnes, resigned.

Approval came by a voice vote without a dissent.

The graying Kentuckian, elevated swiftly from stabilization director to federal loan agent to mobilization chief, had been approved unanimously for the new assignment an hour earlier by the Senate Finance Committee, headed by Senator George (D-Ga.).

A French railroad experimented with rubber wheels for its rolling stock prior to the war.

Allies -

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superhighways. The bridge was blown. At one point the Ninth penetrated to within 170 miles of Berlin.

The Third Army fought down the last 58 miles toward Czechoslovakia and for the city of Gotha, 140 miles southwest of Berlin. The Germans said Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's troops had reached Arnstadt, 70 miles from Leipzig and 110 miles from the Czech city of Pilsen, where the great Skoda munitions works—Hitler's last major arsenal—are located. Arnstadt is 13 miles southeast of Gotha.

Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson's Fifth Armored Division reached the Weser at Bad Oeynhausen, 183 miles from Berlin, 57 south of Bremen and 103 southwest of Hamburg. A battalion of engineers rode along to bridge the river. The North German towns of Salzuflen, Dielhede and Hollide were captured on the way.

The Luxembourg radio asserted that German divisions were being shifted from the Russian to the disintegrating Western Front. The Ninth Army was said to have encountered the SS Viking Panzer Division, which arrived without tanks.

Combined blows by the First and Ninth armies closed down the perimeter of the Ruhr trap to 190 miles and Gen. Omar N. Bradley's headquarters raised the estimate of doomed German troops in the annihilation zone to between 120,000 and 150,000.

Little more than the width of Indiana separated Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army from Russian front lines. The forces were last reported 160 miles apart nearly a day ago.

Looted Art Treasures Found In Nazi Caves By American Soldiers

By DON WHITEHEAD

WITH THE U. S. FIRST ARMY —(AP)—Valuable art treasures from Germany and France have been found in dank tunnel used by German civilians near the front as an air raid shelter.

Works of Rembrandt, Reubens, Van Gogh and Van Dyke; the famous jeweled and gold sarcophagus from the Cathedral of Cologne, sculptures and other treasures from museums, cathedrals and private collections were found. They had been moved from one hiding place to another by the Germans until First Army soldiers in the Siegen area overran an enemy position and discovered the cache.

In Dank, Fetid Cave

In the dank, fetid air of the cavern civilians slept next to a painting by the great Rembrandt, or curled up beside a magnificent carved door from the Cologne cathedral. Russian and French slave laborers made their homes hard by the bones of Charlemagne, brought to the cave from their resting place in Aachen's cathedral.

There were 500 original scores in the handwriting of the composer Beethoven, taken from his birthplace at Bonn. There were paintings by Holbein, Rembrandt's celebrated self portrait, and Reubens' self-portrait and his famous Madonna were there.

The sarcophagus from the Cologne cathedral probably was the most valuable item of all. Virtually all the treasures of that cathedral were moved two years ago when Allied air forces began pounding Rhineland industrial cities.

Ace Looks Ahead



Maj. Dallas A. Clinger, above, 28, of Etna, Wyo., has big plans for the future. He has announced his intention to run for governor of Wyoming. Major Clinger holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Purple Heart for action in CBI theater.

A school for daughters of wealthy parents in England teaches them housekeeping, care of babies, politics and biology in a year.

Navy -

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expected to be reflected most in an easing of the call for men 30 through 33. Officials cautioned, however, that with enlistment of 17-year-olds apparently on the up-trend, fewer 18-year-olds are available for drafting.

This means that monthly Selective Service quotas must be filled by dipping commensurately into the older age groups.

Selective service spokesmen are reluctant to predict how draft calls may be affected when Germany is defeated. They concede that any cut will ease the pressure first on men over 29, but they point out that the size of the draft will depend largely on the number of veterans released by the Army.

If large numbers of men are released, draft calls will stay relatively high. On the other hand, if as is generally supposed, the Army keeps most of these men in uniform, the call probably will be cut considerably—possibly to where 18-year-olds will meet all requirements.

BRITISH AIRCRAFT WORKERS STRIKE AT THREE PLANTS

LONDON—(AP)—A strike of 10,000 employees seeking increased wages and an incentive bonus continued to tie up production Wednesday at three aircraft factories in North-west England.

A single female oyster may lay 500 million eggs in one season.

RUSSIAN GENERAL FREED

WITH THE THIRD ARMY IN GERMANY—(AP)—A Russian major general and his staff were found among 6,538 Allied prisoners liberated Tuesday by Second Cavalry ground forces which captured a prisoner of war camp at Bad Orb, southwest of Fulda.

Worker Is Overcome By Gas At Tank Farm

C. M. Ernest, 50, was overcome by gas Wednesday noon while cleaning a tank at the Gulf Refining Company's tank farm, east of Midland. He was taken to a Midland hospital by an Ellis Funeral Home ambulance and his condition was declared "satisfactory."

South Carolina May Kill Poll Tax

COLUMBIA—(AP)—The House Judiciary Committee report'd favorably Wednesday a Senate bill to remove South Carolina's poll tax by constitutional amendment. If the House passes the legislation, votes would decide the issue in the 1946 general election.

With frontiers of 3,438 miles, Poland had only 87 miles of coastline before the war.

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Six Portions Of Labor Union Act Ruled Invalid

AUSTIN—(AP)—Six portions of the Manford-Bridgers Labor Union Regulatory Act passed at the last general session of the Legislature were held invalid Wednesday by the Third Court of Civil Appeals.

A Travis County District Court invalidated three portions and the Civil Appeals tribunal upheld this decision and in addition declared three more portions invalid.

The additional invalidations were portions: "Unreasonable"

Requiring unions to file with the secretary of state complete annual financial statements of dues, fees and other charges. The court said this requirement was unreasonable.

Prohibiting the filing of copies of all working agreements which provide check-offs for payment of union dues. This also was unreasonable, said the court.

Making it unlawful for a union to refuse membership to an applicant without giving the applicant reasonable time to decide whether or not he wants to become a member. This sentence is meaningless, said the court.

Upholds Trial Court

It upheld trial court invalidation of sections:

Exempting certain unions from annual election of officers. (An arbitrary classification.)

Prohibiting the charging of unreasonable fees. (Vague and incapable of determination.)

Reinstating without payment of back dues union members in the armed forces. (Interference with the right of contract.)

The decision was given in a suit brought jointly by the American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations and other labor groups against the attorney general.

Leads 78th



Maj.-Gen. Edwin P. Parker, Jr., above, of Wytheville, Va., commands the 78th Division of U. S. First Army, which slashed out of the Remagen bridgehead and drove northeastward to form a pincers with the Ninth Army.

Road Use Tax Freeze Plan Goes To Senate

AUSTIN—(AP)—Submission of a constitutional amendment freezing present allocations of road use taxes headed toward the Senate Wednesday with overwhelming House approval.

The House approved the joint resolution submitting the amendment next Aug. 25 by a vote of 124 to 16.

It has the effect of freezing into the constitution—providing the people adopt the amendment—the present statutory distribution of motor fuel tax, driver's license fees and automobile registration fees.

Known as a non-diversion amendment, it is intended to guarantee that fees levied for highway use shall be applied only to highways.

At present one cent of the four cent per gallon gasoline tax is allocated to the available school fund. The proposed amendment does not change this distribution.

N-W Dawson -

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New Mexico, outpost to initial Clear Fork producer in the Drinkard area, recovered 90 feet of drilling fluid with a small blow and a slight show of oil in a drillstem test at 6,312-6,475 feet, and will drill ahead.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Buchanan, Midland County wildcat, ten miles southeast of Midland, in Baldridge survey No. 32-692, was to core ahead from 10,446 feet, in lime and chert.

Corrected Depth

After coring from 10,415-430 feet, and recovering 10 feet of unreported material, total depth was corrected to make 10,430 feet equal 10,433 feet.

Another core at 10,433-446 feet, also recovered 10 feet. No description of it has been revealed.

Sun Oil Company No. 1 Roberdeau, Southeast Crane County prospector, in section 19, block 35, H&TC survey, about three miles northwest of the Crosssett field, was cotted at 6,415 feet, in Ellenburger, and was conditioning hole to take a Schlumberger survey.

Sulphur Saturation

A drillstem test at 6,312-6,415 feet, open for one hour, recovered 30 feet of drilling mud and 720 feet of sulphur water. Top of Ellenburger was at 6,338 feet, on an elevation of 2,370 feet. No shows of oil have been reported from that horizon.

Midland Oil Company (was Rogers Bros.) No. 1 Belding, Southwest Crosby County exploration, in section 4, block 1, WT survey, drilled out cement, in 7-inch casing, which is reported to have been set some where above the bottom at 2,919 feet.

Operator was due to start testing shows of oil which had indicated a possible production of some quantity.

Parrott Progresses

Humble No. 1 Parrott, section 3, EL survey, in East-Central Upton County, had progressed below 10-282 feet, in lime and chert.

Humble No. 1 Jones, West Andrews County wildcat, in section 17, block A-40, psl survey, and about five miles southeast of discovery well for Clear Fork-Permian production in the Drinkard area in Southeast Lea County, New Mexico, had reached 3,069 feet, in lime, chert and shale, and was drilling ahead.

Amerada Petroleum Corporation No. 1 TXL, in the southeast quarter of section 7, block 45, TP survey, T-1-S, and about one-half mile northwest of the TXL field Devonian discovery, had penetrated to 7,923 feet, in lime.

Mid-Continent Petroleum Corporation No. 1 TXL, in northwest quarter of section 17, block 45, TP survey, T-1-S, had reached 7,274 feet in lime. It is about one-half mile southeast of the initial producer in the TXL area.

Brewster Test Reports

Arco Oil Company No. 1 Hopson, Brewster County wildcat, located

Nazi Upped



Field Marshal Albert Kesselring, above, former German commander in Italy, has replaced Marshal Karl Gerd Von Rundstedt as, supreme commander on the Western Front. Kesselring had been rumored seeking peace terms from Allies.

1,000 feet from south and 500 feet from east lines of section 187, block 3-1, D&W survey, was unofficially reported to be drilling below 1,000 feet.

Sources, believed to be reliable, reported some oil had been balled from about current point of drilling, and that some gas had developed.

Top of Glenrose lime had been picked at 565 feet. No surface elevation was available on this project.

Stanford Oil & Gas Company No. 1 Slaughter, Central Cochran County exploration, in labor 49, league 101, Jeff Davis County School Land survey, was making hole under 10,492 feet, in lime, thought by some observers to be Ellenburger. Some sources picked top of Ellenburger at 10,393 feet, on an elevation of 3,776 feet.

Jones Schlumberger

Stanford No. 1 Jones, East Lea County, New Mexico prospector, in section 19-19s-39s, slated Ellenburger test, was bottomed at 8,038 feet, in lower Permian lime, and was running a Schlumberger survey, after loading hole with fresh drilling mud.

Honolulu Oil Corporation and Woodley Petroleum Company No. 2-B Parker, section 9, block A-43, psl survey, northwest of production in the Parker field in South Andrews County, is being plugged to abandon on total depth of 6,116 feet, in dry lime.

Europe's tallest structure is the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

Quick Thinking Of Lubbock Navigator Saves Crew's Lives

CHUNGKING—(AP)—A bomber of the Chinese-American wing might have become a funeral pyre for the crew recently but for the quick thinking and action of Navigator Lt. Robert W. Blake, 24, of Lubbock.

While making a pass over a train the pilot of the bomber, a single control plane, was killed by a Japanese bullet.

Blake, who did not know how to fly, quickly pulled the plane out of a dive and, with the help of the other members of the crew, removed the pilot's body and took over the unfamiliar controls.

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Fighting bad weather, Blake took a heading for home base, knowing that he would not be able to land.

Over the field the pilot's body was dropped by parachute and then Blake and the other members of the crew bailed out. They landed safely with only a few bruises.

Blake has four brothers in the fighting services overseas, three of whom are in the air forces. Blake attended Texas Technological College before entering the service.

Power Of Railroad Commission Upheld By Supreme Court

AUSTIN—(AP)—Power of the Railroad Commission to adjust correlative or mutual rights in an oil or gas field, even where the question of waste is not involved, was upheld Wednesday by the Supreme Court.

The original suit was by H. M. Harrell, who sought to set aside orders of the Railroad Commission affecting production of natural gas for light and fuel purposes, in the Bammel field of Harris County.

F. M. Corzelius, another operator in the field, intervened.

These orders limited production of natural gas for light and fuel purposes to 20,000,000 cubic feet daily and provided that production should be prorated only when the average daily production exceeded 19,000,000 cubic feet for a 30-day period.

The trial court judgment cancelled the orders dated Jan. 17, 1942, permanently enjoined the Railroad Commission from writing similar orders, and permanently enjoined Corzelius from producing gas under the cancelled orders.

This judgment was affirmed by the Third Court of Civil Appeals and reversed Wednesday by the Supreme Court, on an appeal by Corzelius. Corzelius contended that sections 10 and 11 of article 6008 are unconstitutional in that they confer purely judicial duties on an administrative body.

The government's vocational rehabilitation program is calculated to prepare 50,000 physically disabled persons for employment in this fiscal year.

Capt. Helfer Becomes Flight Surgeon Here

Capt. N. Helfer Wednesday became flight surgeon at the Midland Municipal Airport, succeeding Capt. A. J. Ballantyne who has been transferred to Randolph Field.

Captain Helfer came to Midland from Love Field, Dallas. He is a native of New York.

Cotton

NEW YORK—(AP)— Noon cotton prices Wednesday were unchanged to 15 cents a bale higher, May 22.13, July 21.83, and Oct. 21.42.

Odessa Votes Home Rule Charter

ODESSA—(AP)—A home rule charter was adopted by a vote of 3 to 1 by Odessa voters Tuesday. It was the third attempt to change the form of city government. Three aldermen were unopposed for reelection.

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Death's BRIGHT DIAMONDS

THE STORY: Brenda points out to Nick that motor trouble needn't have kept her father at the Lodge the previous evening unless he had really wanted to stay. The garage was full of cars, any one of which he might have borrowed.

THE FOOTPRINTS

PAT, Charley and Eric, bless his ubiquitous little heart, were in the kitchen when we came in.

"Well," Eric said, "the early risers."

Charley went over and put some coal on the fire. Pat stood over the stove frying some eggs and doing a bad job of it. I could tell by her earnest air of preoccupation that she was a little angry. But when she turned, there was a faint smile on her lips.

"Have a fried egg, Nick?" she asked me.

"No thanks, Pat. We've eaten."

There was a plate of doughnuts on the table. Eric reached out and took one. As he bit into it, he said:

"Where is your father, Miss Temple?"

"I haven't the faintest idea," she replied.

"His car is gone," said Eric. I pricked up my ears at that, and Brenda glanced at me briefly.

"Father is a curious soul," she said. "He must have his newspaper the moment he's awake. He's probably gone to town for The Times."

"The furnace fire's out," Pat called over her shoulder. "Run down and build a new one, will you, Nick?"

I was glad to get out of that atmosphere of bottled-up animosity. While I was waiting for the wood to catch, I stood staring at the cellar door. There was a thick film of dust that must have been weeks in settling during the long days when the house had been unoccupied. I saw the tracks where Mr. Hudson and I had

ministered to this hungry engine the night before. They mingled aimlessly and converged at the firebox door.

Then I saw something else. With a curious feeling of expectancy I went over for a closer look. When I leaned down, I felt something as Cruso must have felt when he saw footprints on his desert isle. It was a very big foot, bigger than either mine or Mr. Hudson's, and the prints were quite clear. They ran straight across the cellar to the door that led to the bulkhead.

I had started to follow them when there was the sound of movement behind me. A swift rush of air that made me duck and whirl just in time to receive a soul-jolting blow on the shoulder with something hard and heavy. I struck out viciously with my right foot a thrust of flesh and bone on my fist. Then from nowhere came a second blow. It exploded with myriad lights in the dead center of my brain and I dropped as if struck by a mallet.

"TASY, old man."

It was Charley. A strained smile was on his lips and just beyond him I saw Pat's face, pale and anxious.

"The fire," I said. "Put some coal on it."

"Never mind the fire," answered Charley. "What hit you?"

I sat up.

"Where's Eric?" I said.

Pat and Charley exchanged glances. Then Charley said:

"Can you stand up, Nick?" He took me by the arm.

As we went back through the kitchen, Eric came in by the back entry.

"It is not there," he said.

"What?" asked Pat.

"The axe," he went on suavely. "I saw it by the carriage-shed this morning, but now it is gone."

"What did you want with the axe?" demanded Charley.

"But to help our friend Nicholas with the wood for the fire." Woolf looked at me round-eyed. "What has happened? You look pale."

"Somebody slugged me," I said, "in the cellar."

"Slugged?" He lifted his hands and a mystified expression came into his eyes. "Just now, you mean? Then we must have a look around."

"You look," I said. Eric was not very convincing but by now I was sure of nothing. I went into the library and lay on the big divan in front of the fireplace.

Pat followed me in with a basin of warm water and some gauze.

"Let's have a look at your head, darling."

"I'm all right."

"No doubt," she said cheerfully, "but you're getting blood all over the divan."

Then Phineas Hudson arrived. He removed his cigar from his lips and peered at me closely.

"What's wrong?"

"Somebody in the cellar hit him over the head," Brenda Temple said. She looked at Mr. Hudson closely.

"I should have attended to the furnace, myself," said Mr. Hudson.

"But then you would have been hit, father," said Pat, "and—"

She stopped. A dead silence followed in which everyone must have thought the same thing: that Phineas Hudson's words and tone seemed to imply that he was in no danger from the attacker in the cellar.

At that moment I caught sight of Bruce Temple's figure as it passed the tall French windows in the library. He had The Times under his arm and he stopped to light a cigarette. There was no reason whatever for his being on that side of the house. If he was just coming from Minot with the paper, he would have had to walk halfway around The Lodge on either side to reach the library windows. And he would have passed both the front and rear entrances of the house to do it.

(To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY America's Card Authority

I just received a letter from an old friend who used to be associated with the Knickerbocker Whist Club in New York. Major A. E. Dobereiner. The major tells me he has been overseas five years with the Canadian staff in London and while he has experienced the battle of London and the V-1's, he hated to come back because he has four children in the services.

He said he was playing some bridge at Fort Frontenac the other night when this interesting hand

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Opening—♦ 10.			4

came up. Commenting on the oddity, the major said they simply used the "pole vault method."

The opening diamond lead was won with dummy's jack. Five rounds of spades were cashed, on which East discarded the nine of hearts, showing that he held the heart suit.

In the meantime, West discarded the nine of clubs, so now the major cashed three more diamond tricks. Then, to strip East's hand of clubs, he played the jack of clubs and went right up with the ace.

Now, all he had to do was lead the jack of hearts and let East win it with the queen and East was forced to return a heart into the major's ace-ten combination.

Armistice Reported, Then There Was War

FORT SHERIDAN, ILL. — (AP)—Franks soldiers here awakened a buddy in the middle of the night and shoved a copy of the local newspaper under his nose. "Armistice Signed," a foot-high headline read, "Germany Surrenders." He was out of bed, half-dressed and headed for a midnight celebration before his friends let him in on the joke. It was a 1918 newspaper.

Freight Brakeman Killed in Wreck

FORT WORTH — (AP)—The body of Richard O. Ball, 45, of Bridgeport, was removed from between a locomotive and a tender after three hours of work with a blow torch Tuesday.

Ball, a brakeman, was caught and killed between the two cars when a freight train jumped the rails and crashed into another freight train at a switch line north of Saginaw.

Henderson Jury To Be Completed Wednesday

VAN HORN — (AP)—The jury in the trial of J. C. Henderson, charged with murder in connection with the killing of his wife and her father Nov. 14, 1943, is expected to be completed Wednesday. Eleven men were chosen Tuesday.

Judge W. D. Howe will hear the case, transferred here from Jeff Davis County on a change of venue. It has been postponed twice.

Henderson and her father, W. C. Ferris, were slain at the Henderson ranch home near Alpine.

DA Clyde Eastus Is Barred From Court

FORT WORTH — (AP)—Federal Judge T. W. Davidson has under consideration a letter which caused him to order the removal of U. S. District Attorney Clyde Eastus from his court.

Judge Davidson said Eastus presented the letter Monday in "a rather boisterous manner" after the court had recessed for lunch. The judge then instructed Deputy Marshal Charles Young to remove the district attorney from the courtroom and keep him out during the day.

No Permanent Bar

The order does not bar Eastus from later sessions of the court and was only given because of the manner in which the letter was brought before the court, the judge said.

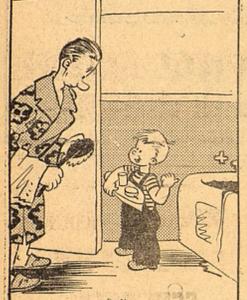
Judge Davidson declined to disclose the nature of the letter, saying it was a matter which the court still has under consideration and was not yet ready to release.

Eastus conferred with Judge W. T. Atwell in Dallas Tuesday and could not be reached immediately for comment.

Judge Atwell declined to discuss the nature of the conference.

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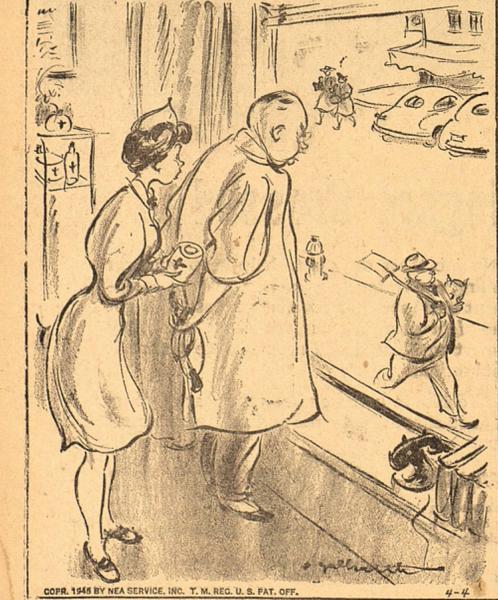
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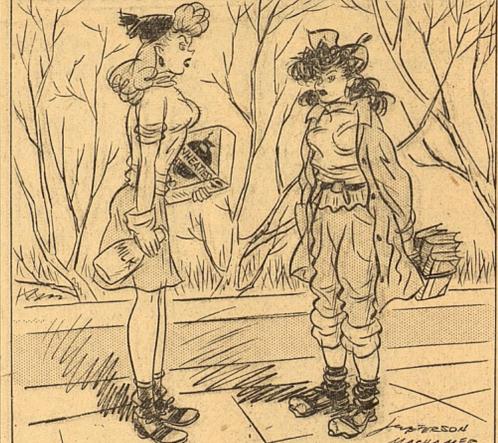


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By William Ferguson

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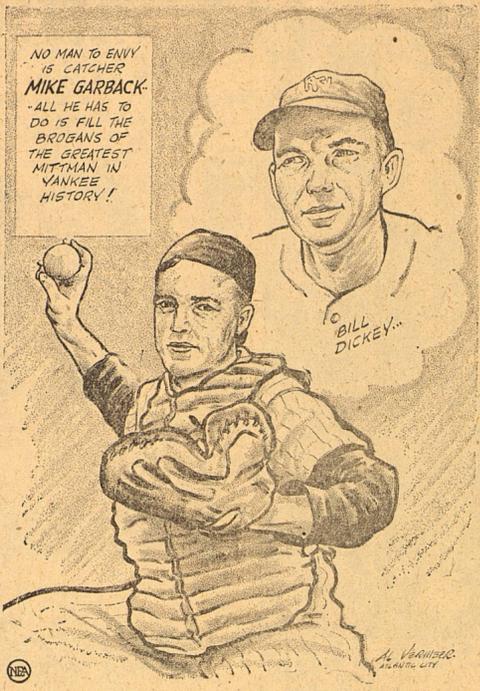


Pittsburgh Pirates' Pennant Hopes Have Sharp Jolt Tuesday

By TED MEIER
 NEW YORK—(AP)—The 1945 pennant hopes of the Pittsburgh Pirates, who finished second in the National League last season, were jolted Tuesday. Catcher Hank Cammelli was ordered up for induction April 13 while Third Baseman Bob Elliott and Southpaw Fred Ostermuller may also be called.

Training Camp Items:
 St. Louis Browns—Gene Moore, whose pinch hitting proved valuable last year, got into first game and hit a double in two attempts.
 Boston Red Sox—Jim Wilson and Red Barrett were nominated to pitch against Yankees Wednesday.
 Boston Braves—Rookie Dick Culler seems to have broken out. Whitney Wietelmann for shortstop.
 Chicago Cubs—Sluggo Bill Nicholson, working at war plant in Chesterton, Md., said would report on opening day.
 New York Giants—Infielder Hugh Luby notified team he would take pre-induction physical examination in Oakland, Calif., on Thursday.
 Cleveland Indians—Jim McDonnell was nominated to catch Alvin Reynolds in opening game against White Sox in Cleveland April 17.

A Man-Sized Assignment



Midland Thin-Clads Prepare For Meet

Coach Gene McCollum and his assistants are rounding Midland High School's track and field athletes into condition for the Odessa meet Saturday. More than 30 athletes are competing for positions on the Bulldog team and about 12 will be entered in the events in Odessa, McCollum said.

The squad will go to Odessa Saturday to compete in the preliminaries. Finals will start at 1 p. m. All athletes are in A-1 condition, the coach commented.

Seventeen schools are expected to compete in the Odessa invitational track and field meet and the number of athletes may total 150.

Entries have been received from Midland, Fort Stockton, Iran, Grandfalls, Pecos, Monahans, Rankin, Imperial, Pyote, Wink, Kermit, Big Spring, Lamesa, Lubbock, Andrews, Odessa and Union of Denver City.

Sports ★ Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr.

NEW YORK—(AP)—Unanswered questions: What became of that "big-name" coach who supposedly was hired for the Brooklyn Tigers shortly after they finished the season without Pete Cawthon? . . . Frexy Tom Gallery's current reason for being interested in a merger with the Boston Yanks is: "We don't have a coach and they have a darn good one."

Shorts And Shells
 Yale's Red Rolfe reports the most frequent question asked during his tour of Army posts in Greenland and Bermuda was about Lou Gehrig. "I was pleased that Lou wasn't forgotten," says Red. . . . Umpire Charlie Berry's only regret about last same tour was that he missed the baseball writers' dinner for the first time in 15 years, and Leo Houck, Penn State boxing coach, added that he missed the intercollegiate mitt matches for the first time in 23 years. . . . When Dixie Walker, who just signed with the Dodgers for \$18,000, came up from the sally league to Jersey City in 1930, his salary was \$500 a month.

Snap Job

Due to the shortage of blank cartridges in Australia, track meet starters have been using rat traps instead of pistols on the theory that the snap of the spring is almost as loud as the crack of a pistol. . . . Jack Lavelle probably would like to put traps in front of the sprinters who are always jumping the gun.

No Motorist Fined Yet But Six Pay Penalty For Using 1944 Tags

Not a single case has been filed with Justice of the Peace B. C. Girdley against motorists here for driving their cars without a 1945 license plate.

However, six automobile owners have purchased 1945 plates at the office of County Tax Collector Assessor J. H. Fine this week and paid a 20 per cent penalty for the plates because they had driven their cars since midnight Saturday without 1945 plates.

Persons who apply for license plates and make affidavit they have not driven their cars since midnight Saturday can purchase 1945 plates without payment of a penalty, Fine said.

Fifteenth Indian Corps Advance In West Burma

CALCUTTA—(AP)—Fifteenth Indian Corps patrols have advanced 42 miles south of their landing point on the west coast of Burma and entered Taungpy, 65 miles west of the Irrawaddy River town of Prome and 185 northwest of Rangoon, the Southeast Asia Command announced Wednesday.

In Central Burma, where the battle to clear the Mandalay-Mektila pocket of Japanese was virtually ended, 14th Army troops continued to mop up remaining resistance.

RECORD MARLIN CAUGHT
 MIAMI, FLA.—(AP)—A white marlin weighing 133 1/2 pounds—third largest ever entered in the Metropolitan Miami fishing tournament—has been registered by F. R. Forman of Oxford, Mich.

In the Chips



Pictured in Chicago, Ensign S. J. Tamkin, 18, and his bride, Rita, also 18, are smiling over his \$10,000 yearly income from royalties of his invention of a gas detector tube, now ready for use on Navy combat ships, which reveals the presence of gas before explosions occur.

Public Records

WARRANTY DEEDS
 The following warranty deeds have been recorded recently at the office of County Clerk Susie G. Noble:

Eddie Blacher to L. H. Frazer, lot 7, block 183, Southern Addition.
 Harrel Higgs et ux B. C. Girdley, lot 11, block 22, West End.
 Texas Building Co. to Mrs. Mayme L. Slaughter, lots 5 and 6, block 64, Original Town.
 Thelma Estes Brown to Clyde C. King, lot 6, block 3, S. W. Estes Addition.
 L. T. Sledge Jr. et ux to James V. Peeler, N. 50 feet of the NE 1/4 block 43, Homestead.
 J. E. Hill et ux to J. F. Friberg, lots 13, 14 and 15, block 105, Original Town and Southern Addition.
 J. M. Vaughan et ux to S. L. Newsom, lot 12, block 49, West End.
 Myrtle Haley Conner et vir to L. L. Hanks, lots 10, 11 and 12, except the east 35 feet of lots 11 and 12, block 63, Original Town.
 Paul F. Osborne et al to E. H. Griswold, lot 1 and the south 30 feet of lot 2, block 3, Ridgely.
 B. G. Grafa et ux to Eddie E. Conner, N. 65 feet of lot 8 of the re-plat of block C of the Cowden Addition and blocks 11 and 12, Elmwood Extension.
 B. G. Grafa et ux to H. A. Hale et ux, N. 50 feet of lot 7 and S. 15 feet of lot 8 of their plat of block C of the Cowden Addition and blocks 11 and 12, Elmwood Extension.
 Roy J. Loveless et ux to D. E. Abbott, lots 15 and 16, block 104, Southern Addition.
 Foy Proctor et ux to I. E. Daniel, NE 1/4 of block 95, West End Addition.
 C. R. Porter et ux to R. D. Hamilton, block 15 of the Gardens.
 C. R. Porter et ux to H. L. Sloan et ux, tract 14, the Gardens.
 C. R. Porter et ux to Joe H. Deavenport, tract 16 of the Gardens.
 J. T. Cash et ux to W. R. Upham, lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, block 81, Southern Addition.
 Geo. Beggs et al to Harry S. Murray et al, lots 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 52, Original Town.
 J. T. Williams to L. L. Conner, lot 4, block 3, S. W. Estes Addition.

Eighth Army Men Join Force Again

ROME—(AP)—Eighth Army troops have joined up after making landings on both sides of the narrow strip of land separating the Val di Comacchio Lagoon from the Adriatic Sea at the extreme eastern end of the Italian front, Allied Headquarters announced Wednesday.

A number of prisoners have been taken in addition to 200 or more captured in the first day of the operation, Monday. The link up and mopping up operations have virtually cleared out all the area south of the canal.

After crossing the mouth of the Po di Primaro Eighth Army units pushed along the north shore, seizing a number of German strong-points and defensive positions, penetrating as far as the vicinity of Laassina.

Much of the territory north of the canal has been flooded.

State Nepotism Law Tightened By Ruling Of Attorney General

AUSTIN—(AP)—The state nepotism law was tightened even further Wednesday as Attorney General Grover Sillers ruled that kinsmen of legislators cannot be appointed to state offices which require Senate confirmation.

Previous rulings have held that no member of either branch of the Legislature is eligible for appointment to any state office during the term for which he is elected. This ruling has been held to prevent any member of the legislature from supporting a measure creating or expanding any state department in which a member might later secure employment.

The constitutional requirements that appointments made by the governor must meet Senate approval to prevent the appointment of a brother or other close kin to any legislator, the new ruling held.

Any candidate for local office, whether elected or not is subject to a fine of from \$200 to \$500 if he fails within 10 days after a general election to file an itemized expense account, a second ruling held.

Unknown Soldier Of Italian Fight Is Finally Identified

By SID FEDER
 WITH FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—(AP)—The "unknown soldier" of battle mountain has been identified.

Through the enterprise of combat correspondent Cpl. Gerald Root, former Lansing (Mich.) State Journal reporter, the identity of the hero of one of the fiercest fights in the cruelest of the gothic line last fall has been established as Pfc. Felix B. Mestas, Jr.

Mestas, a Spanish-American Browning automatic rifleman, came from Nalsenburg, Colo., near Denver. His father lives at La Veta.

The capture and securing of vital Monte Battaglia, which translates to battle mountain in English, was a savage week-long struggle. Men of the 350th Regiment, now known as the "Battle Mountain Regiment," took the peak and held it against almost continuous counterattacks and artillery fire in rain and cold mud for seven days. A few weeks ago the 350th's Second Battalion received the War Department's Distinguished Unit Citation for its part of the job.

At the height of one particularly vicious attack Sept. 29, the official record noted:

Unknown Hero
 "One unknown hero was seen standing on the crest of the hill in full view of a charging group of fanatic Germans and firing his Browning automatic rifle from the hip in order to get a better field of fire down the slope. With the heavy rifle he killed 24 of the advancing Germans. He accounted for two more with grenades."

Since then this unknown hero's action has been the talk of the regiment, but his identity was never learned until recently when Root began checking up. From San Diego, Ariz., Calif., Mestas' assistant B. A. R. man and Pfc. L. C. Burnett, a rifleman from Floral, Ark. who was in a spot to observe the Coloradan, Root obtained enough facts to establish that the hero was Mestas, who died in defense of Battaglia.

"Cowboy always liked to stand up and shoot that heavy gun from the hip" Peck recalled. His buddy, he said, was a husky 180-pounder who handled the 21-pound automatic rifle like an M-1.

Whale hunters of the Olympic peninsula tie bladders to their whale harpoons to keep the victim from diving too far.

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Nazis In Yugoslavia Struggle To Escape Closing Back Door

ROME—(AP)—German columns are struggling to escape from Northern Yugoslavia before the Russians close the back door into Austria and the Allied Air Force in Italy is destroying more enemy transport than at any time since the drive north from Rome a year ago.

In the last two days alone Mustangs and Thunderbolts have destroyed 200 motor transports and 70 horse-drawn vehicles and damaged 350 motor vehicles and 53 locomotives serving Nazi units which had held out against Marshal Tito's Yugoslav partisans.

British Believe Portugal Not Ready To Enter War

LONDON—(AP)—Responsible British quarters discounted Wednesday the possibility of Portugal's immediate entry into the war against Japan but said she might take such action before long to protect her Pacific interests and hasten her admission into the world security league.

Dr. Hillsman Dies

DALLAS—(AP)—Dr. Walter T. Hillsman, 74, missionary of the Dallas Baptist Association for 20 years before retiring a year and half ago, died Tuesday. He taught in Howard Payne College, Brownwood, before coming here.

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