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German Led Italian Soldiers Rebel

GUZZONI SAYS ISLAND CANT HOLD ON LONG

MADRID, Spain, July 19, (UP)—Advices from France Monday night said that Gen. Alfredo Guzzoni, Italian commander in chief in Sicily, had advised King Victor Emmanuel that he could not guarantee prolonged resistance on the island.

It was reported, on what seemed reliable information, that Guzzoni had sent a memorandum direct to the King emphasizing that no Axis reinforcements were arriving in Sicily, that there were only two German divisions in the island and that Allied air and naval supremacy was overwhelming. There were but a few German air squadrons and Italy was using its last air reserves, Guzzoni was quoted as saying.

Guzzoni was quoted as saying that when Catania and Messina fall resistance would be futile in the western and northern parts of the island, and that withdrawal of the troops now in the island would be a most dangerous operation in view of the Allied air and naval blockade.

The advices said that not the slightest bit of news was coming from Benito Mussolini and that he had been silent since the start of the invasion. It was commented that nobody knew whether he had been conferred with the Italian general staff. His silence was regarded as the greatest mystery in the murky Italian situation.

King Victor Emmanuel was said to be showing more activity and it was reported that he was recalling Marshal Pietro Badoglio, long at odds with the Fascists to ask his advice on the chances Italy would have after Sicily fell.

Methodists gave more To missionary fund

CHICAGO, (UP)—Contributions totaling \$5,343,687 were made by approximately 8,000,000 Methodists in the United States to the missionary fund of the church during the past year, the Rev. Orrin W. Auman, treasurer of the Methodist General Commission on World Service and Finance reveals.

This is an increase of \$514,537 over the previous year, or 11.9 per cent he added.

In addition to the World Service fund, members of the Methodist Episcopal church gave \$880,944 to the special wartime Week of Dedication sacrificial offering March 7 for the denomination's emergency needs, Auman reported.

Year-Old Prince



Already in the limelight is Prince Michael, youngest son of the Duke of Kent and of the late Duke of Kent, who possesses with his mother on his first birthday at his home in England.

RUSSIANS TAKE MANY TOWNS IN DRIVE ON OREL

Germans resist desperately As Reds continue to push into lines all along front

LONDON, July 20, (Tuesday) (UP)—Driving against desperately resisting Germans the Red Army smashed into the Orel salient for gains of from three and three fourths to six and one fourth miles Monday, their infantry and tanks sweeping through 130 fortified enemy towns and villages, a Russian news communique reported Tuesday.

Moscow-Arkhangelsk, fully 500 miles south-southeast of Orel, on the Moscow-Kharkov railroad, fell to the triumphant Russians on the South side of the Orel salient along with nineteen other fortified places.

Fifty towns and villages were captured east of Orel, where the Russians were reported within twelve miles of the city, and seventy were taken north of Orel where they are approaching the Orel-Bryansk Railroad.

The special communique said that during Sunday's fighting the Russians destroyed or damaged seventy-two tanks and ninety-two planes.

Twelve German counterattacks shattered without avail against the advancing Russian line in Monday's fighting as the German high command poured men, tanks and planes into the battle from reserve bases to the west and south.

Approach Orel

Unconfirmed reports received here reported that advanced Russian spearheads were approaching the immediate vicinity of Orel.

German broadcasts reported that the Russians were attacking in amazing strength and had thrown six divisions into a single eight mile sector at Orel while they continued to develop offensives along the Donets and Mius Rivers to the south.

"It is undeniable that all our calculations regarding the strength of the Russian resources in man power and material have failed entirely," the Nazi party news paper, Volkischer Beobachter said, according to a United Press Zurich dispatch.

A Berlin broadcast linked the Russian offensive with the invasion of Sicily and said: "It is emphasized in Berlin that the German troops are now fighting the biggest defense battle of the war. Never in the course of this war was so much material massed for a single offensive."

New Impetus Gained

The German high command threw all the men it could muster into the Orel fighting and though they slowed the Russian advance the Red Army tanks and infantry pressed on and Moscow dispatches said that the drive seemed to gain new impetus Monday.

Besides the powerful Russian armies which smashed toward Orel from the east and north, a third force was advancing on the south side of the salient and dispatches indicated that the German position was increasingly dangerous.

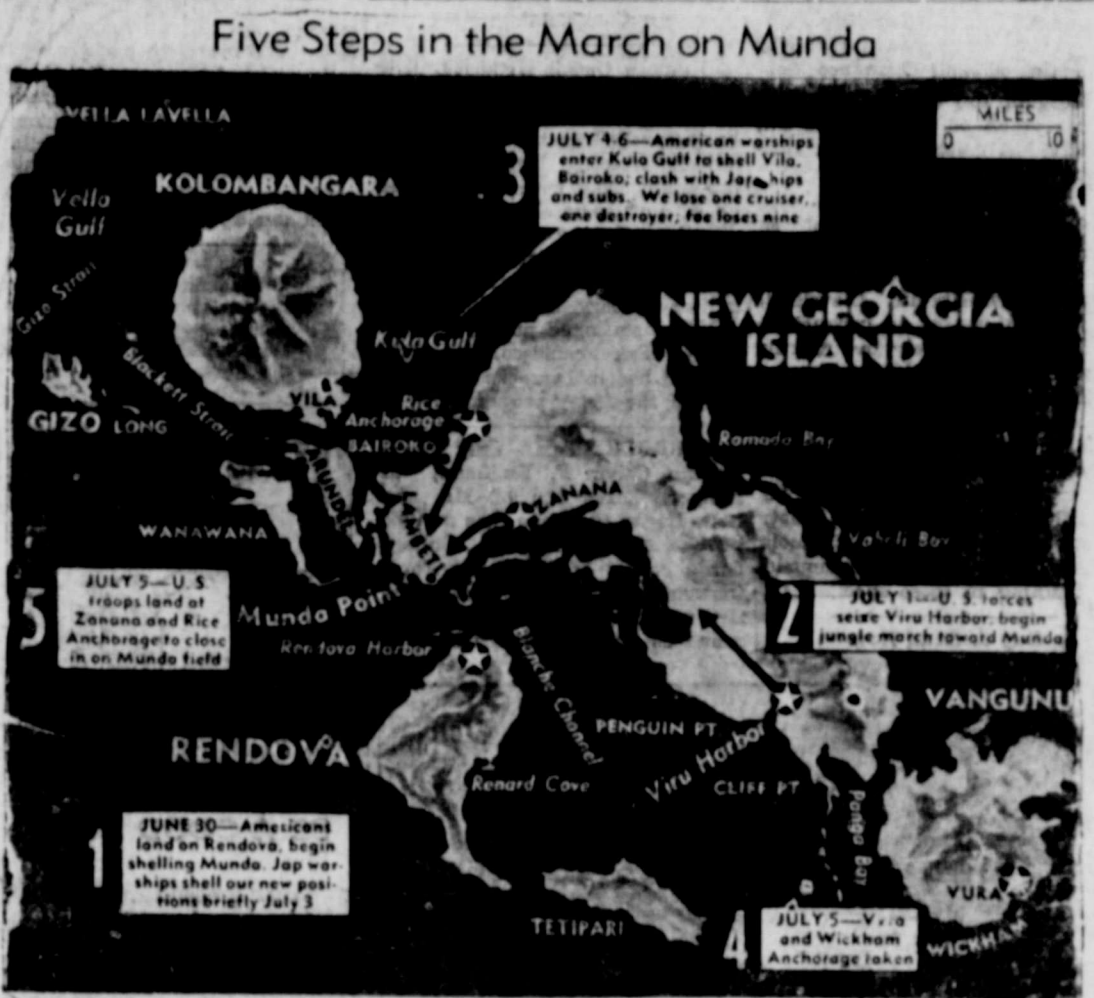
The Russian air force held aerial superiority and night and day was bombing railroads, highways and airfields west and south of Orel.

German shock troops were counterattacking as many as 12 times a day in some sectors, dispatches said, and were reinforced almost hourly by new masses of tanks, infantry and artillery.

A Pravda correspondent said that the Red Army attack was getting stronger daily and that the Germans were being given no rest so that they could not entrench in new positions as life after life was rolled up.

The Weather

WEST TEXAS—Little change in temperature this afternoon and tonight. A few thundershowers near upper coast this afternoon.



Here is how thousands of American soldiers and marines closed in by land, sea and air in a swift campaign aimed at the capture of the bomb-battered Jap base at Munda in the central Solomon.

First Shipment Of Old Records Sent From Ranger

Mrs. A. H. Powell, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, (stated this morning that over 700 pounds of used phonograph records have been collected in Ranger, and are being packed and shipped by Ranger firemen. A concentrated drive will be conducted from now until the 31 of July to secure more records for our men in service.

Mrs. Powell said that with the need for recreation among our service men growing as their numbers grow and as they reach foreign soil, the campaign for the records will be conducted with a "no limit" rule and that every effort will be made to secure a crate of the estimated 200,000, 600 from American homes.

The drive is headed by Records For Our Fighting Men, Inc. and is headed by such famous persons as Bob Hope, Kate Smith, Gene Autry and Lawrence Tibbett and many other persons of the world of music, and the organization is absolutely non-profit, operated for servicemen only.

Locally the records are being collected at the Starr Dry Goods Company, A. H. Powell Grocery and the Fire Station. If there are those who cannot get the records to either of these places the records will be called for if the owner will notify Mrs. Howard Elwood, Mrs. Con Hazard or Mrs. E. C. Ward.

Wife Not Necessary, Ration Books Are

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—A man can do without a lot of things, including his wife, but a ration book is essential.

So thinks one Houston seaman who is being sued for divorce by his wife.

He said he didn't care if his wife got her divorce, but she had his ration books and seaman papers and refused to give them to him.

"I'll settle for the books and papers," said he.

Air-Sickness Cases One in Thousand

AMARILLO, Tex. (UP)—Figures disclosed by United Air Lines reveal that only one airline passenger in 1,000 suffers from air-sickness.

This is a reduction from 3.3 per 1,000 passenger sick in 1938.

The statements were based on a passenger discomfort survey of United's two and a quarter million passengers during the past five years.

Missing



Lt. Garland Montgomery, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Montgomery

MONTGOMERY IS REPORTED TO BE MISSING

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Montgomery were notified Monday that their son, Lt. Garland Montgomery, pilot of a bomber was missing somewhere between the United States and Europe, with the date of disappearance being given as June 21.

It is understood that Lt. Montgomery was flying in a bomber with a flight of ten ships enroute from the United States to some area of action in the European theatre. No other details were given and the parents are awaiting more information from the government. The last letter from the missing officer to his parents was postmarked June 22.

Lt. Montgomery had received his wings and commission at Blackland Field in Waco on February 16 and from there was sent to an advanced school in the state of Washington. He is a graduate of the Ranger schools and of Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth.

Members of the family stated today that families of other members of the crew will be contacted in an effort to secure, as much information as possible.

With Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery now is their daughter, Mrs. B. B. Evans of Ft. Worth, the former Miss Mattie Byrle Montgomery.

Renderer For Salvaged Fats Is Abilene Firm

Pleas Moore, secretary of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce stated this morning that he had received so many inquiries about the disposal of salvage fats that he has written to Washington to secure information on the subject.

In response to the request, former Congressman, Clyde Garrett, informed Moore that the Nortex Hide and Produce Company of Abilene had been designated the collector of fats for this area. The renderer will pay all shipping charges as well as the stipulated price fixed for such fats by the government.

It was suggested that in cases where a considerable amount has been collected that the renderer be contacted to determine the manner in which he would like the fat handled.

Five Hundred Books Issued By Ranger Workers

Through the efforts of the regular staff at the Ranger Chamber of Commerce and a group of volunteer helpers, 500 new "A" gasoline coupon books were mailed from the Ranger office Monday evening.

Pleas Moore, in charge of the work stated that the board is very grateful for the volunteer help that has been given and that workers can still be used as many books are yet to be issued.

Among those who have given volunteer help in the work are: Misses Kathryn Moore, Mary Joy Wilson, Charlene Jones, of Enid, Oklahoma, Dorothy Hardy, Johnnie Young, and Lillian Strain and P. O. Hatley and A. L. Murrell.

'For Women Only' Sign There To Stay

FOR WORTH, Tex. (UP)—The T&P shops on the Stave Foundry Road have a sign up that old-timers would have laughed at.

It's "For Women Only."

The steps beneath the sign lead to a dressing room and showers where 67 women of Mexican descent, now doing men's work in the shops, exchange oily overalls and slacks for feminine frocks as they go off each of the three daily shifts.

A hand full of women went to work at the shop on June 7 as an experiment, and now foremen are anxious to use all the female "hands" they can get.

AMERICANS DRIVING ON THROUGH CENTRAL SICILY, BRITISH PRESS CATANIA

Federation Head In England To Study Conditions

AUSTIN, Tex. July 20.—Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, arrived in England this week to make a study of women's activities in the United Kingdom. It was revealed in a cable just received by Miss Ethel Foster, president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

Miss Foster, who returned this week from Massachusetts where she attended the annual conference of the GFWC executive board, said that Mrs. Whitehurst was invited to visit London by British government officials. She will ascertain the progress made in agriculture, industry, nursing, and volunteer services, and will note how the British have solved the problems of juvenile delinquency, food rationing, communal feeding, and nursery schools.

Mrs. Whitehurst is not only president of the largest organization of women in the world, the General Federation of Women's Clubs with its over two million members in 16,500 clubs, but she is serving on 29 national war service boards and the only woman member of the Maryland Council of Defense; the Board of Regents University of Maryland; and the Maryland State Board of Agriculture.

General Porcinari, commander of the 5th Naples division, is fourth Italian commander to be captured

Mutiny in the ranks of Italian soldiers fighting under German commands was reported today in an Allied communique which revealed that the Americans are driving swiftly through Central Sicily and the British were tightening an assault are against Catania.

Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's forces were closing in against Enna, focal point of Axis strength in Middle Sicily, where resistance appeared to be crumbling.

Fighting was heavy in the east coast sector, however, as the Germans threw paratroops into action and struggled desperately to maintain their positions before Catania in the face of hammer blows by the British Eighth Army.

Gen. Giulio Cesare Gotti Porcinari, commander of the 56th Naples division, was captured. He was the fourth Italian divisional commander to fall in Allied hands during the Sicilian campaign.

Following the bombing of Rome Monday the Vatican radio announced today that Pope Pius XII had suspended his customary public audience tomorrow "in view of the present circumstances and to avoid crowding and the removal to great distances with danger to those who take part in the audiences."

Meanwhile, big American Liberator bombers struck the first blow at Japan's most important naval base in the North Pacific with an attack yesterday morning on Paramushiro at the Northern end of the Kurile island chain which points at the main Japanese island.

A communique announced that the long range bombers, which possibly made a round-trip to an Archetika in the Aleutians, of 1,400 to 2,000 miles from Atland started fires and had laid bombs near ships in the Paramushiro Straits.

Child Goes To Wrong Camp But Won't Change

NEW YORK (UP)—Holding her six-year old son, Edward, by her hand, Mrs. Matilda Schaub hurried into Grand Central Terminal on a Wednesday morning, just in time to see a throng of children and counselors boarding a train.

"Is this the 8:11 train for camp?" she asked another woman, breathlessly.

"Yes," was the reply, "but you'd better hurry."

Mrs. Schaub hastily kissed Edward, handed him a small grip packed with camp clothes and then pushed him through the gate. She stood waving as he joined a group of children walking down the ramp to the train.

About midnight Wednesday she was telling friends about Edward's vacation at a camp near Brewster, N. Y.

Suddenly she remembered that Edward was to have departed for camp on Thursday—not Wednesday.

A frantic phone call to the railroad information office confirmed her fears.

Edward was on his way to a camp in Portland, Me.

Police and the Missing Persons Bureau sent out an eight-state alarm for the vacationing youngster.

He was found in Portland, having a wonderful time. He didn't want to switch camps. His mother agreed. So he's spending his summer Down East.

Architects In Chicago Draw Postwar Plans

CHICAGO, (UP)—The Chicago chapter of the American Institute of Architects has post war plans for the city which envision quiet landscaped residential neighborhoods with playgrounds and recreational facilities in areas which once were streets.

In the more densely populated areas there will be light, airy apartment buildings. Extra space will be obtained by eliminating unneeded streets, replacing them with dead-end streets and landscaped areas, the architects predict.

"We know this will work," said Alfred Shaw, president of the chapter. "In the Ida B. Wells project built here in 1939 and covering approximately 20 blocks, 11 acres of streets were eliminated. This space now is devoted to play grounds, recreation and parking."

People planning the future housing of cities like Chicago aren't interested primarily in new home gadgets, Shaw said, but rather in cleaning up the mess that unplanned building has created in most American cities.

"The first job is to explain to people how intelligent planning will increase their well being and happiness," he said. "Then they will demand it."

The chief problem, he explained, will be assembly of large areas of property where most existing buildings will be razed, the entire area re-planned and new modern buildings erected.

The smallest practical area for planned building, Shaw said, would be a city block, with larger areas more desirable because they allow more intelligent distribution of living and business properties.

Group Seeks A Party Statement

NEW YORK, July 20, (UP)—The Republican post-war policy Association today directed its "pressure group" batteries toward Republican congressmen and the Republican national committee in an effort to obtain a speedy party commitment in favor of world "collaboration" to guarantee peace.

HOUSTON, Tex. (UP)—Urging "more clearly defined and unanimously accepted purposes of education," the Houston Association of School Administrators made public a report on its policy this week.

Protecting public schools from wartime confusion was listed as one of the major aims of the Association which also recommends adequate salaries, progressive curriculum, good teaching aids, professional freedom and freedom from undue pressure by outside minority groups.

The administrators agreed that the school system must strive for "the most competent staff to operate the schools" and "working conditions as nearly ideal as possible."

Navy Planning For Six More Years of War

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP)—The navy is making plans on the basis of having to fight in the Pacific until 1949, a high naval officer revealed today in seconding a verbal assault by Secretary Frank Knox against unwarranted public complacency about progress of the war.

HARLINGEN, Tex. (UP)—Three day nurseries and two child care centers for children of mothers employed in war work will be maintained in Harlingen for at least six months, it was announced recently.

The child care centers will take care of 60 children from 6 to 14 years of age; while the day nurseries will care for 105 two-to-six-year-old children.

Maintenance is provided by a \$10,186 allotment to Harlingen from a federal works agency.

Children of War Workers to Get Care

LONDON, July 20, (UP)—Gen. Henri Giraud, co-leader of the French committee of National Liberation, arrived today from China.

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Word puzzle grid with clues for words like 'Fabled Scotch fish comedian', 'Area measure', 'Contorted', 'Diminutive of Timothy', 'Quoted', 'Santa Virgo', 'Whirlwind', 'High hill', 'Expunges', 'He is a', 'Royal Italian', 'Family name', 'Small bubble in glass', 'Sneaks', 'Cubic meters', 'Royal Navy', '(abbr.)', 'Symbol for', 'First woman'.

OUR MEN IN SERVICE



Major D. T. Wier, son of Dr. A. K. Wier. Dr. A. K. Wier has received a letter from his son, Major D. T. Wier, whom he has good reason to believe, is now in Sicily, though of course the officer could not tell his whereabouts. In the letter Major Wier told of having visited a bombed city and stated that without actually seeing such a sight it is impossible to comprehend the vastness of the destruction. Buildings of

several stories were cut in half and left in ruins and homes completely crushed. Following is a letter which will be of interest to the many friends of the late Archie Hazard: My Dear Mrs. Hazard: I wish to express the sympathy not only of all the personnel at Perrin Field, but my own as well, in the death of your son, Archie.

I realize the loss of your son is a most tragic blow to you. However, you must get some consolation out of knowing that he died in line of duty and in the service of his country. Private Hazard was an excellent soldier and well thought of by all of his superiors and his loss will be keenly felt at Perrin Field. With kindest regards, I am, Sincerely, Charles G. Pearcey, Colonel, Air Corps, Commanding.

BIG SPRING, Texas. Colonel Robert W. Warren, commandant of Big Spring Bombarrier School, announces that Technician 4th Grade Dalton W. Morgan has recently arrived at this field and has been assigned for duty with the 2052nd Ordnance Co. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Morgan of 800 Cypress St., is a former employee of the National Affiliated Hotel Co.

Aviation Student Aaron E. Howton, Jr., of Ranger, Texas, 19, has arrived at Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio, for a course of instruction, lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an Aviation Cadet. During this period he will take numerous academic courses, as well as elementary flying training. Upon completion of this course he will be classified as a navigator, pilot, or bombardier and go on to schools of the Flying Training Command for training in these specialties.

Word has been received by R. H. Snyder of Big Spring, former of Ranger, that his son, Lewis R. Snyder who has been in the thick of the fighting up and around Alaska for the last 18-months, has been transferred to the Navy Air Base at San Diego, California, and promoted to chief of structural maintenance in charge of the 4 motor planes stationed there.

Now wearing the single red chevron of a third class petty officer is Herman L. Bryan, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Bryan, Ranger, Texas, who was promoted to the rating of electrician's mate, third class, upon graduation from the U. S. Naval Training School for electricians on the campus of Iowa State College, Ames, Ia., last week. He will be assigned to active duty with the fleet or at a shore station.

Included in a class of 193 blue jackets, 107 of whom were given advancements to petty officer ratings he has completed 16 weeks of study in mathematics, electrical theory and laboratory, and wiring. He earned selection to the school by making high grades in a series of aptitudetests taken during recruit training.

LUBBOCK, Tex. July 20.—Private Calvin F. Huffman, of Ranger, Texas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Huffman, has arrived at Texas Technological College for a course of Army Air Force instruction lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an Aviation Cadet in

Technician 5th Grade. He is the son of Mrs. Vada S. Weems, of Ranger, Texas, and now is assigned to 750th Tank Battalion, Armored Command, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

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Million Gnats Being Studied at Texas Univ.

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Some people might think that gnats are only a bothersome little creature, but a half-dozen University of Texas professors go for them in a big way. In fact, the university's gnat collection is the largest in the world; and it also has a sizeable collection of flies.

These insects are valuable for research on genetics, and the in-

sects—about 1,000,000 of them—are kept in bottles in a special air conditioned laboratory. They even have a special diet of a mixture of bananas, yeast, karo syrup, agar and water. Food rationing is no bother to them.

The genetics research is being conducted with the aid of a \$35,000 Rockefeller Foundation grant to the university. Part of the funds was used to equip a fly-catching bus, which has traveled 33,000 miles in trapping the insects.

The university collection includes gnats from Florida, Rocky Mountain area, Idaho, Utah, Yel-

lowstone Park, Grand Canyon, Arizona, Mexico, the Texas Big Bend country, Korea, Japan, Hawaii, Canada, Europe, and South Africa.

Primarily, the university scientists are doing research on chromosomes and the gnats provide material. Already the scientists have determined the effect of X-ray on chromosomes, revealed some facts about evolution, and learned that hybridization of species probably from Florida and Mexico has developed a new species.

Soon the Texas professors will be off on another gnat and fly-

trapping tour. The itinerary calls for trips to the southern part of Mexico and to the desert country near Monterrey, Mexico.

Six-Year Olds Read The Papers

NEW YORK, (UP)—Two six year old youngsters—Bobby Wiseland Johnny—stared around the police station charge room to which they had been taken after having made a swimming pool of the decorative fountain in front of the swank Savoy Plaza hotel.

Police Lt. John Piazza looked down from his high desk and eyed the dripping boys severely. He cleared his throat, but before he could say a word, Johnny, who apparently reads the papers and knows how cops are supposed to treat little boys, he asked:

"Don't we get any ice cream?" Piazza hesitated, and then threw up his hands and grinned. He bought some ice cream. Bobby's dad came along in a few minutes and took the boys home.

Buy War Bonds

BY V. T. HAMLIN



WOMEN WON'T TALK

BY RENE RYERSON MART

SUSPENSE

CHAPTER XVI

It was Deputy Shaw who took charge. He pined the doctor and told him to bring a stomach pump. Then he ordered us all out of Margaret's room except Clara and Sarah and Mattison. He said they'd be needed to help.

I went down to the big square white-tiled kitchen and put some coffee on to boil. Maybe a cup of it had and black would bring me out of the nightmare in which I was moving with the clogged and frantic efforts peculiar to bad dreams.

I o'clock and ate with us. He lit his pipe afterward and said he was going out for some air before he went back upstairs.

He saw the question in my eyes and shook his head. "We can't tell yet, Mrs. Kraik. We keep her walking, one on each side of her holding her up, and we talk to her and try to concentrate her attention. But she's only half conscious."

Kathy got up suddenly from her chair. "Do you mind if I walk with you?" she asked Mattison. Of course he didn't. I watched them wander off down by the lake. Mattison was broad-shouldered and half a head taller than Kathy. They made a nice-looking couple.

come from a great distance as he finished in his deliberate fashion: "What she needs now is rest and quiet. And—her memory may return in time. Mrs. Grady is with her now."

So he went away and left me standing there, rather stupidly trying to take in the full import of his words.

Connie, too, acted as if she couldn't quite grasp it all at once. She walked stiffly over to a window and stood staring out at the deepening dusk. After a time, over her shoulder, without looking around: "The doctor says Margaret doesn't even remember that Derek is dead. Isn't that odd?"

The doctor came back again about 6 o'clock and was upstairs for more than an hour. When he came down he hunted me up in the living room. Walter had mixed cocktails and we were sipping them and waiting for the dinner gong. We were all there except Will Grady's wife. She had been acting queerly all day, staring at me whenever I went upstairs and moving away to avoid speaking. The middle of the afternoon she had gone over to their room in the tower and sent word back later that she had a headache and didn't want any dinner.

The doctor looked very grave as he crossed the room toward me and my heart drew into a knot. He took his glasses off, polished them with a handkerchief, and said slowly, "She's going to live." He held the glasses up to the light and then polished them vigorously again. "But her mind—"

My heart stood still, and the horror of my quick guess must have shown in my face.

"No—it isn't that," he added hastily. "She's not insane. She understands what you say to her and answers quite sensibly. But her memory's gone. She doesn't remember anything that's happened. Not even her grandson's death."

The doctor's voice seemed to

ly at the notes he had taken from the others and I felt the hot blood rising in my face.

"I suppose you thought it necessary to hear the others first so you could check my story," I said bitterly.

He had the grace to look ashamed. "I'm sorry, Mrs. Kraik. I'm only trying to get to the bottom of this plot on Margaret Grady's life."

I wasn't going to let him get away with that. He had no proof. I cut in. "You make it sound like attempted murder."

He just looked at me for a long moment, and that rattled me more than words. Then softly as a cat on the prowl: "What do you think it was?"

"Suicide—attempted suicide."

"Why?"

"Why? Her grandson's death, of course. It broke her heart. I realized that I was talking too fast. It made my words sound rehearsed. I tried to relax."

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Kathy jerked her head up and looked at Connie intently.

Will Grady acted the most normal of any of us. He polished off another cocktail, set the glass down, and rubbed his hands together. "The old lady's tough. Guess it would take more than a sleeping tablet to finish her off."

Walter agreed with him in an absent-minded sort of way.

Then the dinner gong sounded and we went into the dining room.

Will Grady sat at Walter's right. He made clumsy mistakes with his silver and his big voice boomed constantly. It occurred to me finally that he was talking too much even for a man emboldened by the presence of servants and more implements beside his plate than he knew how to use. He had something on his mind and was trying to cover it up with a flood of talk.

I wondered what it was.

Kathy disturbed my reflections with some remark, and when I turned my head to answer her, I caught Clint Mattison watching me as if I had been watching Will Grady. I remembered with uneasiness the same speculative intensity in his eyes when he had looked at me that morning in the breakfast room. Another man with something on his mind!

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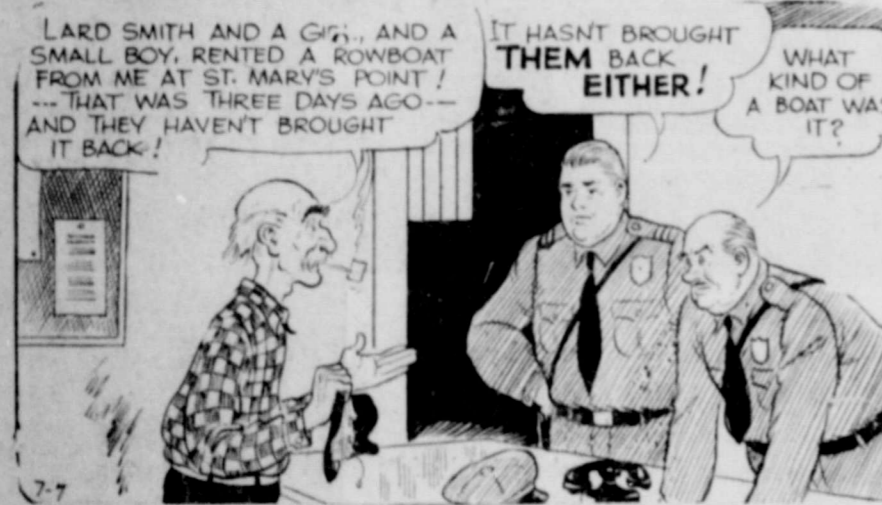
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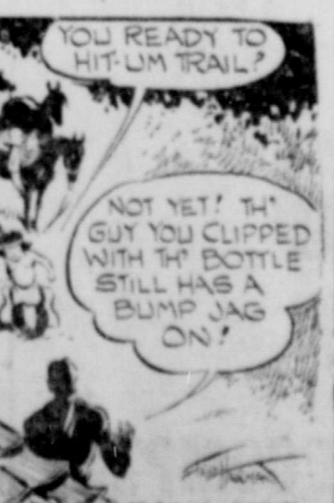
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ATTEMPTED MURDER?

CHAPTER XVII

SHAW came back while we were still at the table. He said he didn't want to interrupt our dinner and that he'd talk to the servants first.

I gave him the use of my study and we finished our meal in a pressed silence and retired to the living room to await our turn for questioning.

It must have been an hour and a half before he finished with the help. Imogene Lake was the last one. Shaw kept her in the study a long time and when she came out she was dabbing at her eyes. She gave one quick scared look at us in the living room, as she passed through the hall, and then she went straight upstairs.

I found myself in sudden panic going over the possibilities of what Imogene could know. She slept in a bedroom in the tower. She hadn't even been in the house last night.

What I didn't know until long afterward was that Shaw hadn't been asking her about the night before. He had been hammering away on our alibis for that first day. And he had worn her down until she had admitted something Shaw had never intended to tell.

I wondered why he saved me one at a time, first Mattison, then Will Grady, his wife—a deputy went over to the tower and brought her back with him—Walter, Connie, and Kathy.

I wondered why he saved me until the last, but I soon found out and then he asked me to tell everything I could remember about the night before. I began with Margaret's hysterics, and my visit to her in the night when I put two of the sleeping tablets into a glass of water to dissolve, and finished with that awful moment when Clint Mattison and I had rushed up to her room in answer to Clara's frightened summons.

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He had the grace to look ashamed. "I'm sorry, Mrs. Kraik. I'm only trying to get to the bottom of this plot on Margaret Grady's life."

I wasn't going to let him get away with that. He had no proof. I cut in. "You make it sound like attempted murder."

He just looked at me for a long moment, and that rattled me more than words. Then softly as a cat on the prowl: "What do you think it was?"

"Suicide—attempted suicide."

"Why?"

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"And then you managed to step on it," Shaw finished dryly.

There was really nothing I could say to that. I waited.

"You did a thorough job of it too," he went on. "But even at that there were a couple of pieces big enough to get some fingerprints from. We found Margaret Grady's and—yours."

I breathed again.

Shaw looked at me hard. "If just won't wash, Mrs. Kraik. You don't believe that Margaret Grady tried to commit suicide any more than I do. Women your age and hers don't take that way out. You've lived too long. You know there isn't any trouble so bad you can't see it through." He leaned toward me. "Your very action proves that you don't believe it. Sure, her fingerprints were on that glass and yours—both neatly accounted for. But you thought that somebody else's would be there too. That's why you broke the glass."

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Pea green Alfalfa Hay, green (wide stem) prairie hay, good Johnson Grass Hay, Baled Straw, plenty of Horse & Mule Feed, Sweet Feed, Hen Scratch (with yellow corn chops in it), clean feeding wheat, Drum of Gulf Cattle Spray, (new glass jugs to put it in), dog biscuits, dog ruggets, plenty of egg mash pellets, growing pellets,—

A. J. Ratliff

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Forty and Eight



Reminiscent of World War I transport in livestock cars in France, this photo of American soldiers in North Africa who have been riding in these French railroad cars. They're out for a smoke and a stretch at a station.

Society, Clubs

R. W. Gordon Is Honored at Dinner

Mrs. R. W. Gordon entertained at her home, 1201 Oddie Street, Sunday afternoon, at 1 o'clock with a birthday dinner honoring Mr. Gordon.

A theatre party followed the dinner, and those present were: Mr. R. W. Gordon, guest of honor, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hodges, Mrs. Lotie Davenport, Mrs. Norman Davenport, Mrs. P. J. O'Donnell, Stanley Neal, Miss Winifred Dunkle and Winnie, Vera Rae and Byron Gordon and Mrs. Gordon, hostess.

Bible Class Has Meeting Monday

The Ladies Bible Class of the Church of Christ met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church.

In the absence of Westie Mickey, minister of the Church of Christ, who is conducting a meeting at Santo, Mrs. Mickey taught the lesson, which was on the fifth chapter of Hebrews.

After the meeting was adjourned the members present made their regular visits to the sick and shut-ins.

Recipe For Making Grape Juice Given

Mrs. Roy Pippen, a cooperater in Home Demonstration Club work, of the Dothan Community canned grape juice using the following recipe. Use sound grapes, adding a small amount of water, and heat to simmering strain. Add 2 cups of sugar per gallon of juice. Heat to simmering again and pour into hot containers and seal in airtight jars in water bath 20 minutes.

According to Gladys Martin, County Home Demonstration Agent, grape marmalade can be made from the pulp left over from grape juice as follows—3 quarts strained grape pulp 1 quart sugar. After the juice has been strained from the grapes, force the pulp through a colander—using a woden potato masher. An even mixture is desired. Combine sug-

ar and grape pulp. Place in an enameled kettle and cook until thick. Fill containers that have been sterilized, seal and store in a cool dark place.

Personals

Curtis and Ann Gleaton are the guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bryan.

Pvt. and Mrs. Dwaine Dennis of Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dennis and daughter, Jo Ann, of Merkel were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dennis.

Pfc. James G. Cox, who has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Cox, has returned to Gulfport, Mississippi, where he is stationed with the aviation ground crew and is attending technical school.

Miss Betty Jean McMillan spent the week end as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. McMillan.

Naval Air Cadet Michael Ready, who has been stationed at Jacksonville, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Ready.

Miss Dora Marie Leveille, who is attending school in Ft. Worth, was the week end guest of her father, Morris Leveille.

Mrs. Fred Yonker and Mrs. Carroll Clark are in Ft. Worth to attend market.

Miss Edna Earle Harlan of Gladewater is the guest of Miss Ella Joy Bearden.

Lewis Gregg of New York City is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Saunders Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. Con Hazard had as their guests for the week-end, Pvt. and Mrs. James Reeves and Miss Wanda Jean Dennis all of Randolph Field, San Antonio.

Mrs. John M. Gholson was in Fort Worth Monday where she accompanied Mrs. Lula Riddle who will have medical treatment at a hospital there.

SHOWING TUESDAY AT THE ARCADIA



Accused: a pulse-pounding, heart-stabbing drama, "City Without Men," with Linda Darnell, Edgar Buchanan, Michael Duane and Glenda Farrell.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gholson have returned to their home in Lubbock after a visit with relatives and friends in Ranger.

Movie Shows What To Do In Gas Attack

AUSTIN, Tex. —Do you know what to do in the event of a gas attack?

Then The University of Texas can not only tell you, but can show you a movie demonstration:

- 1. Remove outside clothing.
2. Step in a shower—flowing water, not a bathtub—to sluice off the gas.
3. Apply a 2 per cent solution of baking soda.
4. Go up stairs—gas is heavier than air, and settles in the lower stories of a house. Be sure to close all windows.

These instructions are demonstrated step by step in a new Office of Civilian Defense sound film which the University Visual Instruction Bureau has just received for distribution in Texas.

Mrs. Charles Joe Moore, bureau director, has announced.

Only charge is made for the film is to cover transportation cost.

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First American-made bomber to see action in World War II, the Hudson has won special recognition in coastal command and anti-submarine patrol work for the British. Twin engine, all metal mid-wing monoplane with retractable landing gear and tapered wing design, twin rudder. Carries crew of five, with gross weight of 20,000 pounds. Top speed 284 m.p.h., 2100-mile range, 25,500-foot ceiling. Mounts two machine guns, two turret guns, one tunnel gun and bombs. Carries load of 7000 pounds. Has been used as all-round combat plane—dive bomber, straffer, raider, fighter and convoy patrol craft. Most notable achievement was single-plane capture of enemy U-boat and crew.

Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation Fort Worth Division NEEDS WORKERS TO BUILD LIBERATORS, No Experience Necessary. MEN—18 years and over with 3A draft Classification or better. BOYS—16 to 17 1/2 years old are being hired. Company Representative Will Interview and Employ SATURDAY, JULY 24. AT THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, 1st Floor Sinclair-Prairie Bldg., Eastland. Persons Now Engaged In Essential Work, Including Aerculture, Will Not Be Considered.

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Council Studies Horn Tooting

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—City Councilmen have instructed the city attorney to study the anti noise ordinance. They have decided there's too much "horn tooting" in Fort Worth and they plans to do something about it. "Some tooting may be necessary," said one member of the council, "but there are too many folks blasting their automobile horns for minutes at a time without cause."

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- REWARD—for tire lost Thursday on Eastland-Wayland road between Lofar and Fraher-Davis 20, number 12014-46E, Golda Pounds Harrelson.
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"... He went because he knows our enemies are endangering all that we hold dear. He went because he realized what we are fighting for — our right to freedom and all that means to us. Yes, daddy's gone. And he's not coming back 'til the war's over. "We're helping him all we can, aren't we? We're saving and scrimping to buy War Bonds. Because the money from those bonds buys the guns and bullets he needs so badly. A lot of other people are buying bonds, too. That's the real American way."

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