

BRITISH ATTACK MARETH LINE

Red Army Pushes Forward In Drive Toward Smolensk

MOSCOW—(AP)—The Red Army has smashed another wedge westward toward the German key base at Smolensk, it was announced in the Soviet noon communique Wednesday with the capture of the railroad station of Igorevskaya and the district center of Vskhody.

To the south, however, the Germans massed a great number of tanks and motorized infantry, supported by a strong force of dive bombers in a major effort to cross the northern Donets south of fallen Kharkov.

Furious fighting was reported through the small elbow of the

river near Izum, 70 miles south-east of Kharkov.

Fighting Is Fierce

It was stated here that there was reason to assume that the German tank force battering at the northern Donets line was as strong as, if not stronger than the units which figured prominently in the Kharkov region.

The weather and land conditions were reported good for mechanized warfare and it was indicated that the current struggle was as fierce as anything which has taken place in months.

(The German High Command, in

a communique broadcast by the Berlin radio and recorded by The Associated Press, said that "the enemy forces encircled southeast of Kharkov were compressed in the narrowest area x x x and are approaching their annihilation."

(The Germans also claimed advances in the Belgorod area and reported heavy fighting in the Lake Timen area where, the war bulletin said, "the Soviets vainly surged against the German front for entire days.")

300 Nazis Killed

By taking Igorevskaya, 25 miles north of Durovo on a spur railway branching off from the main Smolensk-Vyazma line, the Russians added another town to their triumphant march west of the Dnieper River.

The Soviet army apparently has a considerable force west of the Dnieper.

The advances were contested bitterly by the Germans, the communique said.

A number of other settlements were captured as German resistance was overcome, and two heavy counterattacks in one sector were crushed with the killing of about 300 Germans, the Russians said.

In the continuing battle on the Donets River southeast of Kharkov, the Russians said they had destroyed a force of enemy tanks and trucks, and then stormed a German-occupied village, catching the enemy soldiers by surprise still inside houses.

Villagers aided them in rounding up the Germans, 200 of whom were killed, it was declared.

Counterattacks Halted

Northwest of Kharkov, the Russians said they were pushing back German counterattacks west of Sevsk which lies about 80 miles south of Bryansk, toward which Russian troops previously were reported driving from the Vyazma area.

In the offensive against Staraya Russa, the noon bulletin said that Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's troops smashed through to a highroad which connects two large towns, destroying 46 enemy blockhouses and dugouts in their advance and wiping out about a battalion of Germans.

In another sector of the same front several more villages were taken, it was said.



Inspect Tools Of War

Somewhere in China, the two leading gunners of all the bomber crews in China go over their 50mm machine guns. They are Tech. Sgt. Norton G. Stabile, left, of Dallas, who holds a Silver Star; and Tech. Sgt. Adam R. Williams, Morgantown, N. C., who has a DFC, a Silver Star, and the "Order of the Clouds," a Chinese decoration. Williams was on the Tokyo mission and holds several confirmed victories over Jap planes. (NEA Telephoto.)

Nazis Say Major Drive Is Launched

LONDON—(AP)—DNB, in Berlin radio broadcast heard here Wednesday by Reuters, said that the British Eighth Army had launched an attack on the Mareth Line.

"The scale of fighting cannot be judged by reports so far available, but Berlin quarters believe this is a major attack," DNB said.

Lord Beaverbrook declared in the House of Lords Wednesday that "I think the conquest of Tunis and Bizerte is not far off."

There was no confirmation in London, however, of recurring reports that an all-out attack was about to begin in Tunisia to drive the 250,000 Germans and Italians into the sea.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—A mighty Allied air striking force blasted another Axis convoy in the Sicilian Straits, attacked an airfield near Gabes and pounded Marshal Rommel's dug-in positions in the Mareth Line, it was announced Wednesday.

German artillery opened up on the British Eighth Army deployed before the French-built fortifications in the Medenine sector and Allied patrols were active along the whole southern front, an Allied communique said.

The continued plague of bad weather restricting flying in Central and Northern Tunisia.

French Still Holding Out

Heavy rain beat upon the ancient mountains in the north, but British First Army patrols ventured out, inflicting casualties. North of the Gafsa oasis in the center, contact was made with some enemy tanks, but the result was not specified.

Airfield Attacked

Bombers attacked an Axis airfield and the railway near the east coast of Gabes.

At least three motor barges proceeding from Sicily to Tunisia were hit and left ablaze in the attack on the convoy.

Planes rising from the dry, sandy stretches of the western desert continued the softening up process of Rommel's positions in the Mareth Line, the communique said. Fighting bombers and medium bombers, escorted by fighters, carried the aerial assault to the Germans and Italians.

Allied Plane Lost

In add operations Tuesday, the communique said one Allied plane was lost. Two pilots of previously reported lost planes turned up safe and the communique raised the total of enemy aircraft destroyed March 15 to two.

(The Italian communique, broadcast from Rome, said German planes had torpedooed two Allied ships and set a third afire in a convoy west of Bengasi. The Italians claimed the destruction of two Allied submarines and said German planes destroyed three grounded planes in an attack on an Allied airfield in North Tunisia.)

Increased artillery duelling by both sides was reported before the Mareth Line.

Measure To Curb Absenteeism Is Passed By Group

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A measure aimed at curbing absenteeism among war plant workers was approved, 19 to 7, Wednesday by the House naval committee.

The measure, revised in executive session, would:

1. Tighten the Selective Service act to provide that an employer seeking deferment of an essential worker furnish the draft boards with a record of how many times the worker was absent from his job.
2. Require the War, Navy and Merchant Marine departments and all war contractors to supply the Department of Labor with the names of all workers absent from work without prior authorization.

British Archbishop Dies Early Wednesday

LONDON—(AP)—The Most Reverend Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster and primate of the Roman Catholic church in Great Britain, died Wednesday morning at his country home at Buntingford, Hertfordshire, after an illness which began Feb. 28 when he suffered a severe heart attack.

Hinsley, who was 77, rose to his high office from a humble beginning as the son of a British carpenter.

Japanese-Americans Are Army Volunteers

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A number of Japanese-Americans from the ten relocation centers already have been approved by the War Department as volunteers for the Army combat team to be composed entirely of American citizens of Japanese ancestry, officials disclosed Wednesday.

Induction of these men into the Army may have started, they said, but there are no reports yet that any of them actually are in uniform. However large numbers have applied for service with the combat team, and the applications are being reviewed as rapidly as possible.

Wildcatting Decline To Be Investigated

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Hearings will start April 14 in an effort to ascertain the reason for a decline in wildcatting and exploratory drilling for new oil fields.

In announcing the hearings Tuesday, Chairman Fatman (D-Tex.) of the House committee in small business said testimony would be taken from "numerous men from the petroleum industry" and representatives of war emergency industries.

WAR AT A GLANCE

RUSSIA—Nazis attempt Donets River crossing.

AFRICA—Allied planes strike Axis convoy.

PACIFIC—Burma battle tempo quickens.

HITLER AT FRONT

LONDON—(AP)—DNB, in Berlin broadcast recorded by The Associated Press, reported Wednesday that newspapers in Berlin were publishing pictures showing Adolf Hitler near the front lines in Russia.

War Bulletins

LONDON—(AP)—More than a million Polish workers have been transferred to work benches in Germany, the Rome radio said in a broadcast heard here Wednesday.

MOSCOW—(AP)—Tass reported from Cairo Wednesday that workers in Athens went on general strike in protest to the dispatch of workers to Germany.

LONDON—(AP)—British light naval forces manned by Norwegians sank two enemy supply ships in a daring raid into a Norwegian fjord at Floreo Harbor last Sunday, the Admiralty announced Wednesday.

Navy Planes Pound Jap Bases On Kiska

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The heaviest series of air attacks ever made on Japanese-held Kiska Island in a single day was carried out Monday, the Navy announced Wednesday, when American planes raided the Aleutians base six times between dawn and dusk.

While the Navy was thus reporting on recent actions, Elmer Davis, Director of War Information, told a press conference that only five Japanese out of 15,000 escaped death or capture in the battle of the Bismarck Sea March 2, when 22 Japanese warships and other vessels were destroyed by Allied air might.

About 100 Japanese escaped drowning and reached shore, Davis said, but of this handful only five escaped.

Davis gave the lie to recent Japanese broadcasts that the United States had suffered serious naval losses in the South Pacific, declaring:

Losses Are Light

"Every one of our naval losses has been announced and by no stretch of the imagination can they be called serious."

In the South Pacific, meanwhile light naval surface forces bombarded Japanese positions at Vila in the Munda airbase area of the Central Solomon Islands. This was the third time that American warships have penetrated into the enemy sector of the Solomons to bombard shore positions at or near Munda.

Navy communique No. 314 said:

"North Pacific:

1. On March 15th, heavy and medium Army bombers, with Lightning (Lockheed P-38) and Warhawk (Curtiss P-40) support, carried out six heavy bombing attacks on Japanese installations at Kiska. Results were not reported.
2. During the night of March 15th-16th, light naval surface forces bombarded Japanese positions at Vila on the southeast coast of Kolombangara Island. Good results were reported and no casualties were suffered by our forces.
3. On March 16th:

Vote Set On Labor Draft

WASHINGTON—(AP)—After five days of debate, the Senate headed toward a final vote Wednesday on the Bankhead bill to stop the drafting of farm workers into the armed forces.

Under a unanimous consent agreement reached Tuesday, all amendments and substitutes are to be voted on Wednesday afternoon with a final roll call expected later in the day.

The more than 40 signed sponsors of the measure, offered several weeks ago by Senator Bankhead (D-Ala.) to relieve what was termed a serious farm labor shortage, predicted it would pass easily despite opposition protests of "class legislation."

The measure provides for virtual blanket deferment of all farm workers, the only limiting factor being a wide discretion given to the secretary of agriculture that they must be engaged in production of "essential" commodities.

Fullerton South Extender Gauged At 1,836 Barrels

By Frank Gardner, Oil Editor

Fullerton Oil Company No. 4-A H. M. Wilson, one-quarter mile south extension well in the Fullerton deep Permian pool of Northwestern Andrews County, has been completed for a daily potential flow of 1,836 barrels, based on a six-hour gauge through 1-inch choke on 2-inch tubing set at 7,225 feet. The well drilled to a total depth of 7,255 feet and was acidized with 3,000 gallons in each of the three pay zones peculiar to that pool.

A three-eighths mile northeast outpost to the pool, Fullerton No. 2 McKean & Eilers, is drilling below 6,165 feet in lime.

A short southeast extension try, Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company No. 2 Emily M. Jackson et al. is swabbing after acidizing upper pay with 2,000 gallons, bottomed at 6,885 feet in lime.

South Outpost Builds Road

Ohio Oil Company No. 1 University, one-half mile south of Fullerton No. 4-A Wilson, is building "road" in the so-called "golden block" (University Block 13) which commanded high prices at the last University Lands auction December 4 at Austin. The half-section tract upon which No. 1 University will be drilled brought \$187,000 at the auction.

One-quarter mile to the east, Fullerton is spudding its No. 1-A University.

Deep Permian wildcats in Yoakum County, Barnsall Oil Company No. 1 H. D. Heath is drilling at 7,382 feet in hard dolomite streaked with shale, probably at or near the top of the Wichita, while Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Tannehill Brothers, Inc. et al. is drilling below 4,120 feet in anhydrite.

George P. Livermore, Inc. No. 1 G. C. Thomas, closely watched wildcat in extreme Southeastern Hockley County, is drilling at 3,876 feet in anhydrite.

Tests Sulphur Water

Gulf Oil Corporation No. 1 W. A. Estes, Western Crane County wildcat, is shut down for orders at 7,777 feet in Ellenburger, lower Ordovician, dolomite topped at around 7,591 feet. A drillstem test from 7,693 to 7,777 feet, with testing tool open 90 minutes, recovered 360 feet of black sulphur water and drilling fluid. The well swabbed only a sum of oil, with a showing of gas, after acidizing upper Ellenburger with 5,000 gallons while bottomed (Continued on page 6)

Fighting Flares Up In Burma; Yanks Bomb Jap Positions

By The Associated Press

The new battle of Burma flared with greater intensity Wednesday as British headquarters reported 30 hours of fighting along the Mayu river, 12 miles north of Rathedaung, while American fliers ranged far and wide over the Japanese-conquered territory to bomb railway bridges, highways and truck convoys.

A British communique tersely reported a series of clashes on the east bank of the Mayu river, where reinforced Japanese troops were attacking Field Marshal Sir Archibald P. Wavell's forces.

India Is Ready

The communique said there was no general change in the situation, indicating that the British imperials had stiffened after minor withdrawals several days ago.

Marshal Wavell himself declared that India's volunteer army of 2,000,000 was now "in a position to meet and defeat any attack against her soil."

RAF warplanes supporting British ground fighters bombed the Japanese at Mrawehung, a few miles north of Rathedaung, and also pounded the airdrome at Ak-yab, key enemy base on the Bay of Bengal, 25 miles southeast of Rathedaung.

U. S. Planes Active

U. S. 10th Air Force headquarters announced Japanese were hitting Japanese supply lines in widespread attacks, striking at a series of strategic bridges—namely the Myittha span near Mandalay—and strafing enemy truck columns.

For 48 hours, a communique said, U. S. planes bombed and machine-gunned the Japanese without loss of a single aircraft.

In the Southwest Pacific, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's bomber squadrons struck widely at enemy sea transport and bases Tuesday in the developing battle of the island fringes around Australia where the Japanese are reported concentrating troops.

Allied Army Seeking To Finish Off Three-Ship Japanese Troop Convoy

Allied army seeking to finish off a three-ship Japanese troop convoy which was attacked the previous day while headed for Dobo, in the Aroo Islands 500 miles north of Darwin, reported, however, they could find no trace of the vessels in a search of the west coast of the Aroo and the south coast of New Guinea.

"We don't know where the convoy went, but it didn't reach Dobo," a headquarters spokesman said.

Two of the ships in the convoy previously had been reported heavily damaged by direct bomb hits and severe casualties were said to have been inflicted on enemy troops crowding the decks.

Reserve Wheat May Be Released For Use As Feed

WASHINGTON—(AP)—With serious feed shortages threatened in eastern seaboard and west coast deficit areas, the congressional farm bloc Wednesday appeared willing to authorize the government to sell 100,000,000 bushels of reserve wheat for livestock feed at price levels below those which the bloc has been insisting on.

Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation and a leader of groups which have demanded parity prices for farm products, said the Senate was being urged to pass a House-approved bill which would permit government wheat to be sold for less than corn parity prices.

"The need for the wheat for feed was so great," said O'Neal, "that we thought it best to compromise with the administration on the matter."

April Ration Points Same As For March

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The housewife's total of food ration points for April will be the same as it is in March—48 of them on the blue stamps lettered D, E and F in war ration book No. 2.

The Office of Price Administration also said there will be one week of overlap, during which both the March and April stamps will be good.

This month's stamps—the blue ones lettered A, B and C—will be good until March 31, and the new series will be available for canned goods from March 25 through April 30, OPA said.

Income Tax Receipts Below Totals In 1942

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Treasury reported Wednesday that income tax receipts recorded on March 15 were \$145,623,247 less than the amount reported on the last day of the first quarter in 1942.

Tire Restrictions Relaxed By Brown

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Grade II tires will be available April 1 to motorists with gasoline mileage allowances exceeding 240 miles a month—which means most B, C and T card holders.

At the same time, Price Administrator Prentiss M. Brown said late Tuesday in making that announcement, a limited number of grade I tires—highest grade casings—will be available for those with allowances of 560 or more miles a month.

The action was Brown's second liberalization of the tire rationing restrictions, and was made possible, he said, by the release of additional tires by Rubber Administrator William Jeffers.

Plans For Big Midland Livestock Show Discussed At Lions Meeting

Plans for the first annual Midland Livestock Show, next Tuesday and Wednesday, were outlined at the Lions Club meeting Wednesday noon in Hotel Scharbauer.

Speakers included R. C. Vest, Jr., president of the Midland County 4-H Club and of the Midland district of Future Farmers of America; Cio E. H. Barron, show chairman; George W. Glass, superintendent of the show; and I. G. Sturkie, county agent. Vest was introduced by Harlan Howell, FFA instructor. The program was presented by Bill Collins.

Vest spoke on "The Boys' Viewpoint." He discussed the reasons for staging livestock shows and the benefits derived by the club members.

Benefits Of Show Told

"A show is the only way of assembling boys and their animals to show progress being made and to stimulate interest in club work," he said. "Club boys will be in a better position to meet future problems through cooperation and organization."

Increased production and the improving of living standards were discussed.

Judge Barron listed reasons why citizens should attend the livestock show and sale, and said 4-H Club and FFA training are among the best post-war projects.

Glass said plans for the show have been completed and urged Lions to support the event.

A suggestion that club members not attending the show be fined at the next meeting was made by Sturkie.

Guests present included Major C. E. Bissell, Captain R. G. Shafter, Seaman "Happy" Harrison, and the Rev. J. E. Pickering.

Crude Increases For Texas Asked

AUSTIN—(AP)—Texas crude oil purchasers have submitted nominations for April of 1,654,867 barrels per day, an increase of 60,650 barrels over March nominations, the Railroad Commission said Wednesday.

The figure will be officially announced for the first time at the statewide prorotation hearing in Houston Thursday.

Estimates by districts for April over March were as follows: 1, down 101 barrels daily; 2, up 22,634; 3, up 422; 4, up 18,927; 5, up 7,567; 6, up 5,934; East Texas, up 6,446; 7-B—down 17; 7-C, down 947; 8, down 1,127; 9, up 952; 10, no change.

More Than \$310,000 Received By Mme. Chiang

NEW YORK—(AP)—Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek has received more than \$310,000 for Chinese war relief since her arrival in this country—though she hasn't asked for a cent, officials of her party disclosed.

Coffee Is Stolen

NEW YORK—(AP)—A truck containing 6,625 pounds of coffee valued at \$2,500 was stolen in Brooklyn Wednesday.

WEATHER

WEST TEXAS: Warmer.

CRUISE BOARD SCORES CONGRESS FARM BLOC

DETROIT—(AP)—The international executive board of the CIO's United Automobile Workers charged Wednesday that the "so-called farm bloc" was hampering price control efforts with demands which would fail to benefit "working farmers."

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Now Is The Time

If the Gallup poll was correct, and 90 per cent of the people favor putting taxation onto a scientific basis by adopting the Huml Plan, now is the time for them to tell Congress, particularly the House.

The ways and means committee has tossed a deformed tax offsprung into the lap of Congress, an alleged "compromise" that actually compromises with nothing except the economic soundness of the nation and its taxpayers.

There will be a fight on the floor of the House. Treasury strategists, who have befuddled the tax issue throughout, will try to rush the committee "compromise" through before the public has opportunity to make its will felt.

It isn't important that the "Ruml Plan" be adopted. It isn't important who writes the tax bill or who takes credit for the reform.

All that matters is that a pay-as-you-earn tax be installed in such manner that taxpayers will not have to meet the heaviest two years' taxes in American history out of one year's income.

The pay-as-you-earn tax is vital now, because so many little fellows have been tapped, who cannot meet their obligations on any other basis.

It will be doubly vital when the war ends, and war-inflated incomes return to lower levels or disappear altogether. If Uncle Sam has not taken his cut as it was earned, he will not get it at all in the post-war slump. He can fine the tax creditors, but he can't collect; he can sentence them to jail, but he won't have money to build enough jails to hold them.

The pay-as-you-earn tax, without doubled-up collections, is vital if the Treasury does not want a deluge of surrendered War Bonds accompanied by the inability of wage-earners to buy bonds while they are paying two taxes in one year.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Clearer Atmosphere

The ways and means committee's "compromise" is such a bad bill, in itself, that the House should reject it even if there were no counter-proposal possessing almost universal public support.

We, the taxpayers, do not have to sit sadly by and see Congress do us dirt. The congressmen were elected by us all at the same time, if we tell them with sufficient unanimity that is what we want.

Now is the time to tell them.

The punctilio of diplomacy may require that Admiral Standley be recalled or otherwise punished for talking out of turn in Moscow. But his remarks on Russian reticence about the extent of lend-lease aid has begun to clear the atmosphere.

Correspondents in Moscow have been reporting that the man in the street knows he is getting American food, clothing, etc. It might be oversight on their part, or may be significant, that they have not mentioned any popular realization over there as to the number of planes, tanks, trucks, shells and other items of armament and munitions we have supplied.

And it was only after the ambassador's blast that Izvestia published Lend-Lease Director Stettinius' summary of what we have provided to date.

What this country needs right now is a serious shortage of serious shortages.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

Labor Draft Bill Scored By Green

WASHINGTON (AP)—Declaring the Austin-Wadsworth bill to draft civilian workers raises an issue of "free labor versus slave labor," William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, opposed the legislation Wednesday as imposing "involuntary servitude" on the nation's man and womanpower.

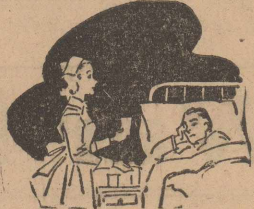
Appearing at a Senate military committee hearing on the measure, the AFL chief said he assumed it "is predicated on the assumption that there is a dire necessity for compulsory labor in order effectively to prosecute the war."

"I categorically deny the truth of that assumption," he added. "It has not and cannot be established that the absence of compulsion of labor is a factor in retarding production."

Wool

BOSTON (AP)—(USDA)—Purchases of 40,000 fleeces of fine and half-blood Southeastern California wools was reported in the Boston wool market Wednesday at a grease price of 36 1/2 cents, FOB, or about \$1.10-\$1.12, grease basis, delivered Boston. Demand continued for Montana wools. Most grades were offered at 36 cents, grease basis, in bond for May delivery.

In aviation industries, layers of sunproofing are sewed between a facing material and a water-proof fabric and placed next to the ship's skin in order to keep the cold out, the heat in and deaden sound and absorb vibration.



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ODT Attempts To Break Up Black Market In Buses

WASHINGTON (AP)—All vehicles carrying nine or more persons in local transportation service—buses, street cars, trolley coaches, trucks converted for passenger use, and ferries—Wednesday were "frozen" in their present service.

The Office of Defense Transportation described the order as designed to protect the requirements of war workers and school children by preventing the transfer of vehicles from communities where they are needed.

All federal agencies, including the Army and Navy, are required to file reports on their transportation-carrying equipment. In addition, these agencies are forbidden to buy, lease or requisition such equipment without ODT approval.

An immediate effect of the action ODT said, will be to stop a "black market" in school buses. School officials asked for the "freeze," reporting that many contract operators already had shifted their buses to other uses.

Cattlemen Hear Report On Feed

FORT WORTH (AP)—Texas cotton oil mills cannot supply more cake than they have raw material. A. L. Ward, educational director of the National Cottonseed Products Association, said Wednesday at the annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association.

The protein expert, in refuting charges that cotton mills and the government were holding back cottonseed, said Texas cotton mills had had 204,870 tons on hand Jan. 31 after crushing over 204,870 tons in December and January.

He said the oil mills of the nation had on hand 1,000,000 tons of cottonseed on Jan. 31.

Livestock

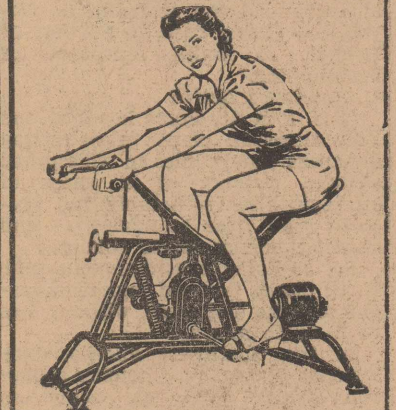
FORT WORTH (AP)—All cattle and calves found a steady market Wednesday. Hogs sold unchanged from Tuesday's levels on all grades and weights. Sheep and lambs were firm. Good fed steers and yearlings 14.00-50, common to medium 10.50-13.75; good beef cows 11.50-12.50. Choice lambs up to 13.00; good heavy hogs 12.00-75; good and choice fat calves 13.50-1.50; stocker steer calves topped at 16.50 and stocker heifer calves at 15.50.

Butcher hog top 14.65; packers paid up to 14.75. Most good and choice 200-300 lb butchers cashed at those prices; good 160-190 lb averages 13.85-14.65.

Good and choice fat lambs 14.25-15.00; milk fed lambs stopping at 15.00; shorn lambs carrying 1.4-1.2 inch credit 14.75 down; shorn lambs, yearlings and two-year-old wethers carrying similar wool credit 14.15; medium and good ewes 7.75-9.00; feeder lambs mostly 14.00 down; mixed feeders and fat lambs 14.25.

Estimated receipts: Cattle 1,700, calves 900, hogs 2,000, and sheep 3,000.

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DeGaulle Plans To Confer With Giraud

LONDON (AP)—The French National Committee announced Wednesday that Gen. Charles de Gaulle was expected to leave shortly for Algiers to confer with Gen. Henri Giraud on cementing a union of all Frenchmen who are fighting the Axis.

Giraud, French high commission-

er of North Africa, called for such a conference in his speech Sunday repudiating the Vichy-German armistice and repealing Vichy's oppressive laws.

VALUABLE INHERITANCE

SALEM, N. J.—(AP)—Mrs. Adaline E. Stephenson requested her automobile tires to a son in her will filed for probate Wednesday.

Baby Is Named For Patron Saint Of Irish

In recognition of St. Patrick's Day, Captain and Mrs. Jack E. Moore of Midland have named their new son Charles Patrick. The child was born Tuesday night in the Midland Hospital and weighs 6 pounds and 12 ounces.

Spouse Well-Informed About Hubby's Actions

MIAMI, Fla.—(AP)—A telegram informing her that her sailor husband was missing in action did not disturb Mrs. Eugene C. Gesele because he was sitting in the room when the message came.

He was on furlough. When he returned to duty, she received another message reporting him found. And finally there came a telegram advising her that he survived the enemy attack.

Mrs. Gesele is grateful for the Navy's consideration.

Washington, D. C., city transit buses suffered enough damage in four days driving over ice-rutted streets to equal one year's normal wear and tear on equipment.

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'Watch On The Rhine' To Be Presented By Civic Theater

Midland Civic Theater will present "Watch on the Rhine," a timely three-act drama by Lillian Hellman, in the City-County Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock Thursday and Friday nights.

An instant success in New York, where it played an entire season to packed houses before going on an extended road tour, "Watch on the Rhine" tells the simple and moving story of a German who brings his American wife and their children back to the safety of her native land and then goes back to Europe to renew his unrelenting war against the Hitler regime. Although not a single Nazi is represented in the cast of characters, the play tells of the problems confronting men of good will in a present-day world.

Three Leading Roles
The three principal roles in the Civic Theater production will be played by Mrs. Dorothy Harpst, Miss June Kingon and C. G. Cooper. Mrs. Harpst, a newcomer to the Midland stage, will portray the caustically witty grandmother, Fanny Farrelly. Miss Kingon, who has been associated with the theater for four years as assistant director and has appeared in local productions of "The Women" and "The Night of January 13th," will appear as Sara, the wife of Kurt Mueller, the foe of Hitlerism.

The role of Kurt, the drama's protagonist, will be played by Cooper, who has been active in the Civic Theater for a number of years and last appeared in the local production of "Margin for Error." A graduate of Cambridge University and in the service of the Royal Dutch Shell group for many years, Cooper is not only an accomplished actor but a talented musician as well and is admirably fitted for the role which was originally created in New York by Paul Lukas.

Includes Three Children
The three children of the Mueller family will be played by Roane Puet, Ann Ulmer and Jerry Jordan. The young Puet, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Puet, falls the difficult role of Bodo, the child prodigy who discourses on the rights of man and the intricacies of electric heating pads in three languages without batting an eye. His sister Babetta is portrayed by Miss Ulmer, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ulmer. Ann is a member of the speech class of Midland High and has appeared in a number of high school plays.

Newcomers Participate
Jerry Jordan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey A. Jordan, a sophomore at Midland High, recently appeared in the school production, "One Mad Night."

Other members of the "Watch on the Rhine" cast are Dr. Velma Scott, a newcomer to the theater group, and Sgt. Conway McCracken, also a newcomer and a member of the 491st Bombardier Training Squadron at the bombardier school. Clarice Uly, as the Countess de Brancovic, will appear opposite Sgt. Arthur Cole, also of the 491st B. T. S. at the field, who will be remembered for his hilarious performance

Committee Reports Made At Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Meeting
Committee reports were made and a round table discussion concerning plans for the year's program was held at the regular meeting of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority Tuesday evening in the private dining room of Scharbauer Hotel.

Members present included Misses Dorothy Hamilton, Faye Powers, Janice Watts, Eleanor Wood, Dorothy Newberry, Wilma Ruth Holman, Ruth Smith, Nita Gothard, Lee Johnson and Maudie Roberts and Mmes. T. H. Stringer, J. H. P. J., J. A. Porter, Ralph Guyger, Riley Parr, S. R. McKinney Jr., Frances Stallworth, Cecil Waldrep, R. H. Frizzell, J. B. Bain and G. B. Hallman.

Mrs. John Dublin Is Hostess At Meeting Of Edelweiss Club
Six guests attended the Edelweiss Club meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. John Dublin, 1300 West Missouri. They included Mmes. Tom Rowell, Nelson Puet, Foy Proctor, Frank Corner of Fort Worth, O. B. Holt and Hugh Corigan.

Mrs. Hal Peck won high score in bridge, and second high went to Mrs. J. N. Allison. Mrs. Corner scored high for the guests.

Members attending included Mmes. Allison, Clyde Cowden, Ellis Cowden, Tom Nance, Bob Martin, S. J. Lones, Mayme Stokes, J. M. Speed, Sr., Roy Parks and Peck.

Mrs. Dewey Is Club High Score Winner
Mrs. Robert S. Dewey made high score and Mrs. W. D. Henderson second high at the Tuesday Bridge Club meeting at the home of Mrs. R. L. Blunden. Mrs. M. F. Turner won cut prize.

Spring flowers were used in the living room decorations.

Mrs. Vaughan Malley was a guest and others present included Mmes. Blunden, O. R. Champion, Dewey, Tom Parker, Turner, Charles Canfield, Henderson and W. J. Russell.

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Coming Events

THURSDAY
Red Cross workroom in the Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock.

Red Cross surgical dressings room on the third floor of the courthouse will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock and from 1 until 4 o'clock.

The Needlecraft Club will meet at 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Addison Wadley, 1801 West Holloway.

The Midland Garden Club will meet at 5:30 p. m. in the assembly room of the courthouse.

Mrs. Henry Lawson and Mrs. Paul Davis will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

FRIDAY
Two home nursing classes will meet from 2 until 5 o'clock at the educational building of the First Baptist Church.

Red Cross workroom in the Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock.

Red Cross surgical dressings room on the third floor of the courthouse will be open from 9 until 12 o'clock and from 1 until 4 o'clock.

The nutrition class will meet from 9:30 until 11:30 a. m. in the assembly room of the courthouse.

The Glean Walker Royal Ambassadors of the First Baptist Church will meet at 4 p. m. at the educational building.

The Behrnt Bible Class will meet at 3:30 p. m. at the educational building of the First Methodist Church.

The WFMG of the Church of the Nazarene will meet at 2:30 p. m. for Bible study.

The Children's Service League will meet at 2 p. m. with Mrs. T. S. Jones, 104 South Pecos.

Mrs. W. D. Henderson and Mrs. Tom D. Rowell will be hostesses at the Soldiers Service Club.

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The Curtain Call

Lovely, blond Dorothy Harpst is a newcomer to Midland having moved here several months ago from Louisiana where her husband Wally Harpst was employed by the Shell Oil Company. Both Dorothy and her husband became affiliated with the Midland Civic Theater soon after their arrival in Midland and have participated in the activities of this organization.

As the saucy grandmother, Fanny Farrelly, in "Watch on the Rhine," Dorothy symbolizes an era of confident, generous America. In her home she has already taken two Rumanian refugees. Her daughter's arrival from Europe turns the house into a scene of conflict that shakes but strengthens its foundations.

Dorothy's original home is Findlay, Ohio, and when they organized a little theatre in that city she appeared in its first production, "Mad Hopes," speaking the entire part in French. She played the lead in "Barter," Urban Nagle, a religious drama in 4 acts which was given by the Findlay Methodist Church. Later she appeared in two Little Theatre plays, "The Vortex" by Noel Coward and in "Children of the Moon." During this time Dorothy studied dramatics under the direction of Audra Ainsley, a retired New York actress.

"Playing the part of a 63 year old grandmother in "Watch on the Rhine" is an entirely new type of role for me," says Dorothy smilingly, but those who have watched rehearsals agree that she does it beautifully.

—By Ruth Bartha

SoSum Club Meets With Mrs. Shrock

The SoSum Club met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. W. M. Schrock, 405 North Big Spring.

Mmes. James Harper, Terry Elkin and Marchman of Dallas were visitors and Mrs. Cecil Collins was welcomed as a member of the club. Others attending included Mmes. W. I. Pratt, Rea Sindorf, Herold Amussen, Percy Mims, Addison Wadley, N. B. Larsh, E. C. Hitchcock and the hostess.

AAUW Group Has Regular Session

Mrs. E. E. Reigle was in charge of the program on "Nationalism" at the regular monthly meeting of the International Relations Group of AAUW Tuesday at the home of Mrs. K. S. Ferguson, 1301 West Illinois.

Demonstration Club Serves Luncheon

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by the Community Home Demonstration Club Tuesday at the Valley View School.

Demonstrations on how to make bound button holes for dresses, and how to make plaquettes for dresses and men's and boys' clothes were given.

Mrs. Lois Lewis was appointed clothing and wardrobe demonstrator, and Mrs. Will Long was appointed demonstrator for home food supply.

Present were Mmes. Long, I. J. Howard, Herd Midkiff, Lewis, B. L. Mason and Miss Alpha Lynn.

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During the business session the girls decided to have a party March 29.

Faye Shelburne, program chairman, led the group in a discussion of "Is Our American Democracy Christian?"

Mary Ann Wright was a visitor and members present included Barbara Brown, Dorothy Shelburne, Thelma Jo Brown, Faye Shelburne, Dorothy Rose Otho, and Mrs. Wright, leader.

Episcopalians Start Confirmation Class

A confirmation class will be started at Trinity Episcopal Church at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday and will meet each Wednesday evening until May 5.

Bishop E. Cecil Seaman will visit the church May 9 for a confirmation service.

The Rev. R. J. Snell, minister, will conduct the confirmation class.

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Meat Saving Dishes Prepared By Club

"Learning to Prepare Different Dishes to Save Meat" was the topic discussed at the Warfield Demonstration Club meeting Monday in the assembly room of the courthouse.

Members prepared a salmon loaf, a stuffed egg and vegetable plate, scalloped peas and a cottage cheese salad mold, and then served the food.

Those present included Ermanie Cutbirth, Dorothy Mattison, Nadine Manning, Pauline Norwood, Tommie Darnell, Mary Lynn Manning, Janie Frances Manning and Lella Norwood, and Miss Alpha Lynn.

Geological Society To Hear Delbert Downing

The Midland Geological Society will have regular luncheon Thursday noon in the Roosevelt room of the Cactus Cafe with Delbert Downing as principal speaker.

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Glider Girl

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THE STORY: To Pat Friday, glider pilot, and his Ed Bryan, flyer, Loraine Stuart's action in forcing Captain Carr's name to an Army order offers a serious problem. Pat is torn between her sense of fair play and her sense of loyalty to Jimmy Carr. She decides to try to help Loraine, to spare Jimmy's feelings. Ed Bryan, on the other hand, feels that loyalty to his country and to his friend demand action. He calls Chicago, reports to Jimmy Carr, "I know," says Jimmy. "But just sit tight a little while. I want to think."

CAPTAIN CARR'S ORDERS

CHAPTER XV

CAPT. JAMES CARR needed sound sleep this night and he didn't get much. He was too consumed with thinking. If he hadn't been a healthy young animal it might have told on him.

"There's something screwball about this whole deal," he told himself, right after he left Loraine at midnight. They had talked in the mezzanine for more than an hour. "If she wasn't such a swell somebody—"

HE never did finish what would happen if she wasn't such a swell somebody. He was sitting on his bed, one Army dress shoe off and one on. He still held the off one in his hand, and he was staring at nothing.

Wham!

The shoe hit a wastepaper basket, skittered over and stopped beside a chair. Throwing it gave Jimmy a kind of release, but it was no way to treat a dress shoe. He picked it up again, inspected it, and rang for a bell hop.

"Here's four bits, pal," he smiled at the boy, also giving him both shoes. "See that these look like mirrors in the morning."

"Yes sir, sure, Captain Carr!"

Then he sat with his feet on the back of a chair, body sprawled on the bed. He envisioned Loraine Stuart. Tuffy hair in perfect order. Lips and rouge and eye business all perfect, as usual. A swell somebody. Only, damn it, she'd been drinking. He couldn't figure that. He and Loraine had agreed that flying and drinking don't mix. Jimmy Carr couldn't understand anybody who didn't keep agreements. Loraine's broken promise, trivial as it was, left him confused.

The truth was, he couldn't see Loraine as anything but the lovely somebody she appeared to be. Undeniably she was beautiful. She had been beautiful when he first met her at an aviation ball, and she still was. Oh, she may have had some faults, but who hasn't? Offhand he couldn't remember

any of Loraine's. Until—today, tonight, she had done a strange thing.

"She never did explain how she came to be late for the start of the trip," he said. "I asked her, and she acted mad!"

That didn't make sense, either; Army life runs with clocklike precision. Eleven o'clock is 11 o'clock exactly. Even Loraine should have understood that. And if she was so determined to make that trip, why didn't she telephone him if she couldn't make it? And most of all, why did she have to forge his name in order to catch up?

Soon after his pilot friend, Ed Bryan, telephoned him from Elmira, Jimmy went to sleep. If sleep it could be called. He was still upset about the whole situation.

He was still upset about it next morning at breakfast. He felt better, physically, but he felt somehow awkward about starting with Pat and substituting Loraine as his passenger going west.

"No, that's not fair," he argued. "Lorry got a dirty break at the start."

HE was trying valiantly to stand up for his fiancée in his own mind. Contrarily, though, he kept thinking of Pat with favor too. He remembered how Pat had been stricken with stage fright as they approached Cleveland, and tried so hard to be nonchalant just talking about the city. Making her speech, she had still been like a school girl, at first. Then he had seen her chin lift, and her violet eyes show a little anger, and Pat had made a good speech after all. In Chicago, she had wowed 'em. Had as much poise as a veteran trouper.

He wondered what Pat Friday had done for a living before he found her. Or she found him. He grinned, remembering the way she nervily took over his office that morning in New York City, bluffing a whole string of other girls who wanted jobs. And Pat had been the second-fastest soaring pupil in his experience, the other being a boy who already had studied aviation. In barely nine days Pat had made a sailplane salute and say yes ma'am.

The waiter came to his table with two morning newspapers, the first Jim had seen since leaving Elmira.

"So—yay!" he beamed at the front pages.

Pat Friday—looking too cute for anything—smiled at him from

three-column pictures, and Pat had other poses, too. The soaring flight had almost stolen the day's play from the war itself. Jimmy studied the pictures like a pleased boy. He hadn't known how photogenic Pat was. She looked like a cross between Betty Grable and Judy Garland, only more so. Cutest of all was that astonished, half-frightened, half-getting pose where Pat was just, happily into the sailplane at Elmira, after he had snatched her up on the run.

HEARTS IN THE CLOUDS, a headline writer had effused, over the pictures. And then added, below, "Handsome young soaring expert and his beautiful fiancée, Miss—"

"Hey!" Jimmy exclaimed. "Good jumping grief!"

The papers had muffed it. Or somebody had. They said this picture was his fiancée, Miss Loraine Stuart. When it was really Pat. "Oh, oh, oh!" Jimmy was moaning and laughing at the same time. The papers of course had been told that Loraine would be the passenger. Pictures had been taken in a terrific rush at Elmira, at Cleveland, and here in Chicago itself.

Suddenly the personal import of the error struck him, however. It wasn't funny at all, it was awful!

And then, strangely perhaps, for a young man engaged, Capt. James Carr's mind sought a way to protect not his fiancée but the other girl.

"This is not fair to Pat!" he told himself abruptly. "Why—why hell's-to-Betsy, that kid is topel! Look at the way she fitted in. The way she took over and saved my skin there at Elmira. . . . And another thing, these pictures will be all over the country, pictures of Pat, so . . ."

He had forgotten breakfast. He sat there a moment more, staring, thinking. Then on quick decision he went to a long distance telephone and placed a call for Elmira.

When his party had answered, he said, "That you, Ed Bryan? . . . This is Captain Carr again. . . . Yep, in Chicago. Taking off in about an hour. Listen Ed, here's another order, and hang it all this one isn't forged. Ed, you're my friend, too. Now listen—you go get Pat Friday, tell her I sent you, and you tuck her in an airplane and come chasing after me. Understand? Pat knows my route of travel. You help her catch up with us, at the earliest possible stop!"

(To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority
This is the ninth of a series of 12 articles on the new laws of contract bridge, which will become effective throughout the country on April 1.

In yesterday's article I mentioned the human element at the bridge table and how the laws committee

♠ J 7	♥ 8 3	♦ A K Q J 7 4 2	♣ 5 2
♠ A K Q 4	♥ A 9 8 3	♦ A K Q J	♣ 10 9 6 5
♠ 10 9	♥ 4	♦ 8 6	♣ A 9
♠ A 9	♥ 3	♦ K Q 7	♣ 10 8 5 2
	♥ 5 3	♦ J 10 8 6 4 3	
	♥ 2	♦ Rubber—All vul.	
South	West	North	East
Pass	2	3	4
			3♥
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took this factor into consideration when preparing the new code. The average bridge player knows and cares little about the laws of the game. The only time he comes in to violent contact with them is after he has transgressed some rule.

In today's hand East bid two hearts over North's three-diamond bid. Under the new laws, if he changed the bid to three hearts in practically the same breath, it would be termed a misnomer and there would be no penalty. In this case, however, East realized that he had made a mistake and then corrected it by bidding three hearts.

This under the old laws automatically bars his partner for one round of bidding. Naturally the opponents would not be kind enough to re-open the auction, and the final contract would be three hearts.

Under the new laws, East will be protected even against himself. In other words, if the opponents treat it as a misnomer, the bid would stand at three hearts with no penalty. If they treat it as an insufficient bid, both the two-heart and three-heart bids are void and East can now bid anything he wishes.

If he bids three hearts, he will bar his partner for one round. Any other bid will bar his partner from further participation in the auction. The natural thing for East to do would be to jump the bid to four hearts, which can easily be made.

Wink Resident Is With Ground Crew At Base In India

A UNITED STATES HEAVY BOMBER BASE SOMEWHERE IN INDIA—(P)—The forgotten men of combat flying are the ground crews. They don't get headlines, or medals or public acclaim, and they are never mentioned in communiqués. But there wouldn't be any communiqués if the ground crews weren't on the job before and after each combat mission.

Talk to any pilot, and he'll give credit where credit is due.

Work Long Hours
Sometimes ground crews work 36 hours without sleep. If they don't

Monahans Girl Is Found In Los Angeles

Mae Gene Ballard, 14 year old Monahans girl who has been missing from her home several days, has been located in Los Angeles, Midland police were informed Wednesday.

have spare parts, they make good substitutes.

In charge of maintenance here is Lieut. Raymond Scherrf, 26, of Rye, N. Y., a combat pilot who has fought the Germans and Italians in the Middle East as well as the Japanese in Burma.

Ground crewmen who work on the planes include Sergt. John T. Hodgett, 24, Wink, Winkler County, Texas.

Diving Aviator Helps Save School Students

CHICKASHA, OKLA.—(P)—An aviator, identity unknown, dived on the grade school house at Verdun and undoubtedly saved the lives of a number of children who might have been trapped by flames that were consuming the building.

The pilot apparently saw the smoke coming from the roof of the building. He dived, to attract attention. Softball players on the school ground looked up at the plane, saw smoke pouring from the building and sounded the fire alarm.

The 261 children in the building reached safety only a few minutes ahead of the spreading flames. The plane flew onward.

Chicken-Raising On Boom In Tennessee

MEMPHIS, TENN.—(P)—Go rural, you city folk, and raise chickens in the back yard for your own meat and eggs.

That's what scores of Memphians are planning to do to help offset food rationing restrictions. Memphis hatcheries reported orders are 75 per cent above those of last year. Distributors said they were booked a month ahead on orders for baby chicks. Egg dealers declared they can't supply fertile eggs to the hatcheries fast enough to meet the demand.

More than 1000 subcontractors now are producing wooden motor vehicle cargo bodies for Army use that formerly were manufactured by a few chassis builders.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE — with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY

GREAT CAESAR, JASON! LOOK AT THAT SINISTER STRANGER MARCHING BOLDLY UP TO THE FRONT DOOR! I'VE A PRE-MONITION THAT LEGAL-LOOKING BRIEF CASE OF HIS IS AN ILL OMEN! IF IT'S A BILL, TELL HIM I'M AWAY HUNTING GORILLAS IN TANGANYIKA!

BUT MEBBE HE A JUDGE, ARRIVIN' TO ANNOUNCE YOU DISINHERITED A FIVE-BY-FIVE CROWN FROM ONE OB DEM NOBLE UNCLE YOU GOT IN SCOTLAND! EF HE AIN'T, I GIVES HIM THE NICE-DAY-NOBODY-HOME-TALK!

HE FEARS MEN BEARING BRIEF CASES

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES — By EDGAR MARTIN

WAIT! DON'T GET AGAINST MY COAT—DON'T MOVE TILL I GET IT!

GET DOWN OFF HIM, RAGS! YOU'LL HAVE IT ALL OVER THE HOUSE! WHY DON'T YOU COME IN TH' CELLAR DOOR AND LEAVE THOSE OVERALLS AND SHOES IN TH' BASEMENT?

SAY, LISTEN! SINCE I GOT HIM A WHITE COLLAR JOB IN THE DRAFTIN' OFFICE, THIS PLACE IS GOIN' HIGH-BROW! NEXT YOU'LL COME UP THE ALLEY—WHY I'LL BE HAVIN' TO FUMIGATE MY PAY CHECK!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS — By MERRILL BLOSSER

I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING

NOW WAIT, YESSIR. THIS PROVES IT! WHEN PUG MENTIONED CAT-FISH REMEMBERED...

LOOK MR. BUFFINGTON, THESE REPORTS SHOW THAT RESERVES OF WORKERS FROM THE JOB ARE WHAT'S KEEPING PRODUCTION DOWN

IF YOU'LL CHECK THESE REPORTS, YOU'LL NOTICE...

YEAH, NOTICE WHAT?

THAT NINETY PER CENT OF THE WORKERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY ABSENT FROM WORK LIVE ON CATFISH ROW!

WELL, WOTTA Y'KNOW!

WASH TUBBS — By ROY CRANE

DON'T TURN IN YOUR BADGE! HAVING IT IS MORE THAN AN HONOR—IT'S A DUTY!!

WELL...

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT DOESN'T ISSUE THOSE BADGES TO PEOPLE WHO AREN'T FIT TO SERVE! KEEP THAT BADGE!

I REFUSE TO ACCEPT IT! AND WHEN YOU SEE A DUTY, WE'LL EXPECT YOU TO PERFORM IT!

YES, SIR!

ILLEGAL PARKING NEAR FIRE PLUG—LICENSE NUMBER 9U558!

LARD, YOU DON'T REALIZE WHAT YOU'RE DOING!

RED RYDER — By FRED HARMAN

EASY!

OH, HELLO PENNY!

I... I'M DREAFFFULLY SORRY YOU'VE BEEN WOUNDED

OH, THAT'S OKAY, NOTHING SERIOUS, I... I WAS TRYING TO WRITE A LETTER TO A FELLAS MOTHER

I HEARD ABOUT HOW YOU HAD THAT DANCER MONA MONA ARRESTED AS A SPY. NOW I KNOW WHY YOU DROPPED ME THAT NIGHT

IT WAS SO SILLY TO GET MAD, BUT I WAS INSANELY JEALOUS

GOOD FOR YOU, PENNY! ALL MY LIFE I'VE BEEN TRYING TO MAKE SOME CUTE BRUNETTE JEALOUS O' ME

ALLEY OOP — By V. T. HAMLIN

THERE, DOCTOR, I TOLD YOU IT WOULDN'T BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO USE YOUR PISTOL! YOU SEE, I KNEW THEY'D USE THOSE ELASTIC WINES TO BIND ALLEY

WELL, DOOTSY...

PLEASE DON'T GO...

JUST YET!

FUNNY BUSINESS

"How was I to know he was the gunner when I picked the crackers out of his soup yesterday?"

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"No more horseshoes, chum—all I do is precision stuff now!"

Parents Give Prize For Name For Baby

PONCA CITY, OKLA. — (P)—Where the thirteenth child arrived for the Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Browns their supply of names was exhausted so they offered a \$5 prize. Forty-five names were submitted by nurses and hospital employees. The prize went to Mary H. Powell and the thirteenth child will be known henceforth as "Jerry Dean."

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POTATOES HAVE AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF ABOUT SIX BILLION BUSHELS.

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 37 Tantalum (symbol).
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 1 Prisons.
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 18 Senior (abbr.).
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45 Nova Scotia (abbr.).
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49 Measure of area.
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60 Greek letter.
62 Per.
63 Symbol for molybdenum.

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Miscellaneous 23
 FOR SALE. Asparagus roots; 35¢ per dozen. Phone 9903. (4-3)
 I CAN still supply Qualle. H. A. Jesse. (7-3)

WESTERN Flyer bicycle; \$40.00; used two weeks. Call Beville, 120. (7-3)
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Wanted To Buy 26
 WANTED TO BUY—Small used radios any condition. Must be not over three years old. Radio Service Co. 108 W. Missouri. (2-24)

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 WANTED to rent: a garage near 307 North B St. Phone 387-R. (5-3)
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Couple Charged In Keeping Man On Slave Basis

CORPUS CHRISTI —(AP)—A 62-year-old farmer and his 29-year-old daughter being tried on peonage charges flogged a negro hired hand repeatedly and forced him to subsist on flour and dry corn, according to the testimony of prosecution witnesses.
 On one occasion the farmer, Alex L. Skrobarczyk, hitched the negro, Alfred Irwin, to plow, Lupe Bazan, employed on a ranch near the Skrobarczyk farm in Bee County, testified Tuesday.
 Skrobarczyk and his daughter, Susie, have entered pleas of innocence to a federal indictment charging them with keeping Irwin in conditions of slavery and peonage.
Negro Is Beaten
 Bazan said that twice he had seen Skrobarczyk use a whip on Irwin.
 Agnes Takowitz, who testified she quit working two months on the Skrobarczyk farm because of the treatment she received, declared both defendants struck Irwin with chains, clubs and whips until he bled. She said that the negro was given flour and dry corn which he was compelled to cook outside the chicken house where he lived.
 A dairy farmer, E. H. Schwartz, testified that Irwin often came to his place at night bleeding at the mouth and begging for food.
 Frank Yeoman, another neighbor, said he tried to hire Irwin away from Skrobarczyk but that the negro replied that he feared his life would be in danger if he ran away.

New Gas Odorization Ruling Now In Effect

AUSTIN —(AP)—Texas natural gas distributing companies Wednesday operated under a new gas odorization order issued by the Railroad Commission.
 Designed to meet the Texas Supreme Court's objections to the original order adopted as a safety measure after the New London school explosion, the order in general embodied recommendations of distributing companies.
 Exempt under the new order is gas used in industrial plants, natural gasolite: extraction plants, recycling plants, chemical plants, gathering lines and in lease and field operations.
 The original order was held invalid because of its vagueness.

Specialist To Visit Midland Garden Club

Miss Sadie Hatfield, landscape specialist with the Extension Service, will meet with the Midland Garden Club Thursday morning at 9:30 in the assembly room of the courthouse, Miss Alpha Lynn, home demonstration agent, said Wednesday. Miss Hatfield is recognized as an outstanding authority on landscaping.
 Preceding the meeting, members of the club will inspect a landscaped Midland yard to determine how the victory gardening program may be worked into the permanent landscape style. The yard will be used as a demonstration plot by the club.

Breakfast Preceded North Africa Attack

BALTIMORE —(AP)—The landing of American soldiers in North Africa was "invasion after breakfast" to Chief Commissary Steward Emory P. Ward of the Coast Guard.
 Ward was in charge of a galley on a transport which landed hundreds of American soldiers and officers at Casablanca. Just an hour before they scrambled over the sides of the vessel into landing barges, the doughboys were served an average American breakfast—orange juice, oatmeal, toast and coffee," says Ward, now stationed at Lazretto Point Coast Guard base.
 The menu was really only a "tapering off" snack. Just an hour before breakfast the boys sunk their teeth into T-bone steaks with all the trimmings.

Small Parcels May Be Sent Overseas

Sealed parcels not exceeding eight ounces in weight on which postage at the first-class rate is prepaid may be accepted for dispatch to Army personnel at A. P. O.'s overseas without the presentation of an approved request from the addressee, the Midland post office announced Wednesday.

Midland - Odessa BUS LINE SCHEDULE

Leave Midland - Odessa	Leave Airport
5:25 A.M.	6:00 A.M.
5:55 A.M.	6:30 A.M.
6:25 A.M.	7:00 A.M.
6:55 A.M.	7:30 A.M.
7:25 A.M.	8:00 A.M.
7:55 A.M.	8:30 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	9:00 A.M.
9:30 A.M.	10:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M.	11:30 A.M.
1:00 P.M.	1:30 P.M.
2:00 P.M.	2:40 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	4:10 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	5:10 P.M.
4:45 P.M.	5:20 P.M.
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7:05 P.M.	7:40 P.M.
7:30 P.M.	8:10 P.M.
8:05 P.M.	8:40 P.M.
9:30 P.M.	10:00 P.M.
10:30 P.M.	11:00 P.M.
11:30 P.M.	12:10 Midnight

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

Brother, Can You Spare a Cot?



Guadalcanal or Grand Central, U. S. service men are getting their sleep where they find it. Lack of adequate sleeping accommodations in New York finds these soldiers and sailors snoozing on the floor of the USO lounge in Grand Central station.

Firestone Makes New Car Battery

To meet the critical requirements of wartime driving, the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company has developed a new passenger car battery called the Perma-Life, according to Neil Smallwood, manager of the Firestone store. "Special features," says Smallwood, "have been introduced to enable the battery to give peak performance under the limited driving conditions which are taking a heavy toll of batteries that were built to function when cars were rolling up big mileage figures.
 "Batteries built for peacetime operation," says Smallwood, "can rarely be kept at full charge under wartime restricted driving, unless the charging rate is greatly increased. When the charging rate is stepped up, the higher charging voltage causes a buckling of the thin plates that ordinarily were used in battery construction. When the charging rate is held at normal, necessitating frequent recharging battery life is again jeopardized and in most cases greatly shortened.
 The Firestone Perma-Life has been engineered to withstand high charging rates by utilizing larger and heavier plates to take the stepped-up charging voltage. Special Fiberglass separator mats have been incorporated in the construction to hold the active compound in the

Cottontail Feasts On Sugar Ration Coupons

CARLSBAD, N. M.—(AP)—Paul Ball, rural rehabilitation supervisor, caught a cottontail rabbit while he was driving through the country. He placed it, alive, in the glove compartment of his car. That night at home, he was listening to the radio and heard the announcer mention "rabbit." Ball snapped his fingers; then dashed to the garage and rescued the bunny from the glove compartment. Brother rabbit had eaten his sugar ration coupons and was starting on the gas rations.

Valuable Treasure Is Found In Desk Drawer

BOONVILLE, MO.—(AP)—While pondering what to buy his wife for her birthday anniversary, Capt. C. V. Anderson of Kempter Military School was casually clearing out his desk.
 Back in a corner he found a package. In it were three pairs of nylon hose; he had purchased long ago, for a birthday present for Mrs. Anderson, and had forgotten to take home.

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Furious Scoring Marks National Cage Tournament

DENVER—(AP)—Furious scoring marks the sweep of favorites through the National AAU basketball tournament field, and a new record for individual point-making already is being printed in the official book of best performances.

Holder of the new record is Pvt. Carl Bishop of the Fort Lewis, Wash., reception center team, who piled up 50 points Tuesday as he and his fellow soldiers crushed the Butte, Mont., Boosters under an 83-37 score. His collection was better by two points than the old mark established by Larry Toburen, Denver University, three years ago.

Howard Payne Loses

The tourney powerhouses turned in some impressive scores before the second round of play came to an end Tuesday night. Wyoming University added up 77 to 49 for Howard Payne College of Brownwood, Texas, and Twentieth Century-Fox of Hollywood collected 67 while giving away 41 to the Fort Warren, Wyo., All Stars. Phillips 66 Oilers of Bartlesville, Okla., crushed St. Louis, Mo., Universal Auto Body 66-20 in the final second round contest.

In earlier second round games, the Norman, Okla., Naval Air Station team outshot the seeded Alameda, Calif., Coast Guard 38-35 in an overtime battle.

Hunting Scene



Elsie Hammaford and Army-trained dog are hunting, all right, but not game. They're on lookout for saboteurs at Naval Air Station of South Weymouth, Mass.

COLUMBIA, S. C.—(AP)—The University of South Carolina will continue football this year if other institutions in the state participate, president J. Rion McRassack said Tuesday.

Giants Look No More Formidable Than Rowboat, But Ott Still Hopeful

LAKEWOOD, N. J.—(AP)—Mel Ott performed a minor miracle last year by leading his New York Giants to third place in the National League. He may have to work a major miracle this season to keep them in the first division.

The cold facts are that the Giants' losses to the war are the heaviest in the senior circuit. Pitcher Hal Schumacher, Outfielder Willard Marshall, the great rookie

American League Has 144 Players In Armed Forces

CHICAGO—(AP)—The American League disclosed Wednesday that its number of baseball players in the armed forces now had reached 144, a figure that exactly equaled the league's service roll during all of World War I.

In addition, 19 players are remaining out of baseball this season to work in war plants or on farms. However, team rosters show that each club will have from 27 to 34 men available to start the season April 21.

Browns Have Men

League figures disclose the St. Louis Browns, surprise team and third place finisher in last year's race, currently hold the edge in manpower with a total of 34 athletes. Then come Detroit and Washington with 30 each; Cleveland and Chicago, 28, and Boston, New York and Philadelphia, 27.

Leading the league with men in the armed forces were Detroit and Chicago, each with 23. These two clubs have the most men remaining on jobs in essential industry—Chicago 5, and Detroit 4.

find of last season, and Babe Young, the slugging outfielder-first baseman, have entered the service; Third Baseman Bill Werber has retired and two bigger blows appear about to fall—since First Baseman Johnny Mize and Catcher Harry Danning are both in class 1-A and awaiting induction.

Ott Is Optimistic

Here, then are six men missing out of the Giants' regulars of last season. The once proud Giants right now appear about as formidable as a rowboat.

But Ott retains his optimism. He simply tells questioners that things will work out and that he doesn't think the future will turn out as dark as it looks.

For one thing, the Giants are, in effect, marking time till March 24, the day Mize is to report or induction. They think there is a possibility he might be rejected because of injuries in recent seasons have shown him to be an easy bleeder.

If Mize should be turned down by the army, the Giants' other problems could be solved in various ways and with varying hopes for success.

Henry Armstrong Is Seeking Anti-Climax For Personal Memoirs

PHILADELPHIA—(AP)—The Los Angeles poet and literature, Hammerin' Henry Armstrong, announced Wednesday that he has almost finished his memoirs but if the literary world is waiting with bated breath to read them it'll have to keep right on bating.

For the former champion of boxing, a man of letters as well as left hooks, is caught in the throes of composition—he can't find his anti-climax.

Hammerin' Henry, here for a 10-round comeback tussle with Al Tribunani of Wilmington, Del., in Convention Hall Monday night, drew reflectively on his metal, oversizing pipe, which was empty, and told a select circle of critics:

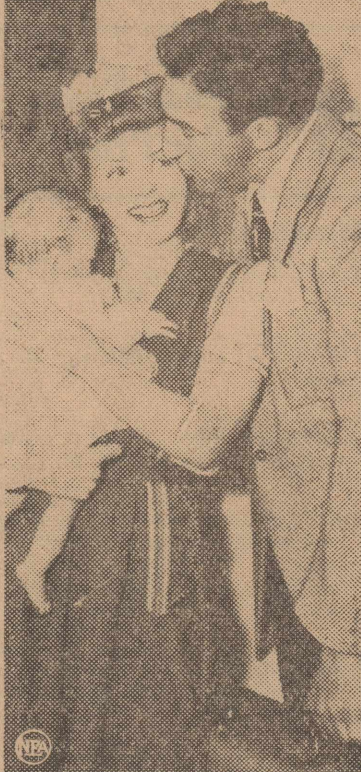
"I even have a title—a good one. I think—My Struggle to Three Crowns—but it isn't quite ready for publication yet, because my anti-climax is missing."

"I'd figured it would end where I beat Fritz Zivic, but I'm not through yet. Here I am making a comeback and what happens to me now will be anti-climax."

PRO TITLE AT STAKE

CHICAGO—(AP)—The Oshkosh, Wis., All Stars, defending champions, and the Washington (D.C.) Bears, a flashy negro team, will meet in the Chicago stadium Wednesday night for title honors in the fifth annual world professional basketball tournament.

Dress Rehearsal



Harry Danning, bag in hand, kisses wife and two-months-old baby, Vicki Ann, goodbye in preview of what he expects to be doing soon. Veteran catcher, who works in Hollywood movie studio, is going to training camp, all right, but not to that of New York Giants. He was reclassified 1A.

Midland Officers To Battle Hobbs Cagers Wednesday

Midland's crack officer basketball quintet journeys to Hobbs Wednesday night for a game with the Hobbs officer team. This is the fourth game of a series in which Hobbs hold the edge with two wins, having edged out a win Monday night at the Midland high school gym.

In the final night of league play among the enlisted men's basketball league at the bombardier college, five games have been scheduled. The 493rd will meet the 489th and the 951st tangles with the 431st in games at 6:30 Wednesday night. At 7:45, the Quartermaster meets the 494th and the Mess company meets the 83rd. At 9 p.m., the Ordnance company plays the Medics.

A double-elimination featuring the top eight teams of the league will start Friday night in which the championship of the bombardier college will be decided.

Fullerton --

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at 7,615 feet.

Cubertson & Irwin, Inc., of Midland No. 1 R. G. Heiner, Northern Pecos County Ordovician test five-eighths of a mile southwest of the one-well Heiner, Ellenburger pool, is drilling below 770 feet in lime and anhydrite.

Standard Oil Company of Texas No. 1 Douglas Oil Company et al, Pecos wildcat scheduled to explore the Ordovician possibilities of the west side of the Yates Permian field, is drilling past 3,104 feet in lime.

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 1-29 H. J. Eaton, Northern Pecos wildcat six miles southwest of Imperial, recovered 10 feet of dry shale sand by coring from 7,660-75 feet and is preparing to deepen.

The well is in the Simpson, middle Ordovician, probably in the Wad-dell horizon. It topped the McKee sand member of the Simpson at 7,169 feet.

Neers Contract Depth

Col-Tex Refining Company No. 1 W. N. Reed et al, Northwestern Sterling County Ordovician test, was only 25 feet short of contract depth as it crudded early Wednesday to 8,975 feet in black lime and shale.

Humble No. 1-B Sawyer Cattle Company of Texas, scheduled Ordovician wildcat 12 miles east of Stiles in East Central Reagan County, is standing at 4,820 feet in black shale after coring 7 5/8-inch casing at 4,700 feet with 1,200 sacks.

John I. Moore and P. D. Moore, brothers, of Midland, No. 1 Am-erada-J. S. Todd estate et al, Western Crockett County Ordovician wildcat, is drilling at 7,035 feet, still in crinoidal lime of the Strawn, lower Pennsylvanian, from which indicated production on drillstem tests while bottomed at 6,876 feet.

Magnolia No. 20 State-Walton, North Central Winkler County deep wildcat between shallow production in the Kermit and Keystone pools, recovered four feet of McKee sand bearing porosity and odor of gas by coring from 9,006-70 feet, present depth, and is preparing to run a drillstem test.

Farther northwest, in Southeast-ern Lea County, N. M., R. Olsen Oil Company and Atlantic Refining Company No. 1 Langle (Justis) is shut down for orders at 9,490 feet in brown and gray dolomite of the Ellenburger, lower Ordovician, with possibility that a core will be taken at that point. Barold Well Logging Service reportedly logged a slight showing of oil in returns as the well drilled to present depth. The wildcat is credited by some geologists with having topped the Ellen-berger at 9,110 feet.

Rationing Booms Sale Of Mexican Huaraches

REYNOSA, Mex.—(AP)—Shoe rationing has boomed the manufacture of Mexican huaraches, the sandal-type leather shoe beloved of U. S. tourists.

The supply is short, the cost rising. Reynosa dealers said that manufacturers in Guadalajara and Oaxaca, who have been supplying thousands of the sandals annually, are swamped with orders.

Huaraches for a time could be bought in Texas only with a ration coupon. That regulation has been lifted and sales have boomed.

VOICE OF AUTHORITY

PAMPA, Tex.—(AP)—Technician John S. Cwierniewicz stationed at the Army Air Field, was worried because his name was so hard to pronounce.

"Soldier, cheer up," said a note from Troy, N. Y.—signed by Miss Annabella Romisderwiczoffwic.

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Capt. Darrell Welch Awarded Two Medals For Action In Africa

Mrs. Darrell G. Welch of Midland has been informed that her husband, Captain Welch, has been awarded the air medal with three oak leaf clusters and the distinguished flying cross for his participation in the fighting in North Africa, where he is a fighter pilot.

He has been recommended for two oak leaf clusters to accompany the distinguished flying cross.

No details of the actions in which Captain Welch has participated have been received here. At present he is in a rest home in North Africa.

Captain Welch has been a resident of Midland about ten years and is a graduate of the Midland High School and the University of Texas. He received his commission in the air service at Barksdale Field on May 31, 1941 and left for overseas service in June, 1942.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Welch, live in Midland.

Camel Caravan Shows Play To Big Crowds

The Camel Caravan shows played to two capacity audiences Tuesday night at the Midland AAF Bombardier School's new Post Service Club.

Featuring Joey Rardin as the master of ceremonies, the show featured fast-stepping acts against a background of music played by the Prairie Pioneers. "Tiny" Ellen Sutton, the "Sophie Tucker of radio" stopped the show with her renditions of old favorites.

Fid Gordon, laugh riot of the violin, kept the crowd in stitches with his antics, playing his instrument from almost every conceivable position. Lovely Sharon Randall provided the romantic interest, giving out the latest hit numbers. To top an evening of excellent entertainment, Russell and Renee came through with a breath-taking balancing and tumbling act on the trampoline.

Farm Families To Be Given Certificates

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Farm families whose sign up to produce their share of 1943 food needs will be awarded certificates of farm service by Secretary of Agriculture Wickard.

Dixie Howell Sent To Florida School

ATHENS, GA.—(AP)—Lieut. Millard P. (Dixie) Howell, former University of Alabama gridiron flash and recently head coach at Arizona State Teachers College, has been transferred from the U. S. Navy Pre-Fight School here to the Naval Air Navigation School at Hollywood, Fla. Howell has been on duty here since last October conditioning aviation cadets.

SAVING FACE AND BODY

SPOKANE, Wash.—(AP)—Marine Cpl. Clarence A. Batholomew said he saw only one Japanese face-saving gesture in the bloody battle for Guadalcanal.

One Jap soldier turned his back on a live grenade. With a thick straw mat for protection, he saved his life as well as his face, the corporal said in an interview.

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