

Japanese Feint For New Bases Of New Guinea

ALLIED H.E.A. QUARTERS, Australia, May 4 (AP)—A Japanese reconnaissance force has withdrawn to its original base at Lae in New Guinea after a 27-mile penetration up the Markham valley in search of airdrome sites, but another enemy column held its position 15 miles south of nearby Salamaua, Australian dispatches said today.

The Japanese advance south from Salamaua put the enemy within 165 miles of strategic Port Moresby on the south shore of New Guinea. Heavy jungle terrain, studied by untracked mountains which rise as high as 8,000 feet, separate the Japanese from the Allied advance base.

Despite the favoring terrain, the United Nations kept sharp watch for a possibly overland drive against Port Moresby. That the Allies were taking no chances of a Japanese feint sharp drive for a possibly overland drive against Port Moresby.

German, British Exchange Scattered Sea, Air Blows

Hamburg Left Ablaze After RAF Assault

By The Associated Press In a battering exchange of blows at sea power, the British declared today that the RAF left Hamburg's docks and shipyards ablaze and pounded the Nazi U-boat nest at St. Nazaire last night, and the Germans said their air force raided Alexandria, British Eastern Mediterranean fleet base.

PAIR BOOKED FOR KIDNAP IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 4 (AP)—Two New Jersey men were ordered held on \$1,000 bail today for a hearing May 18 when they were arraigned in Brooklyn felony court on a short affidavit charging kidnaping of a Brooklyn research chemist who claimed to have perfected a process for the manufacture of synthetic rubber.

Three Army Planes Crash In Northwest

PENDLETON, Ore., May 4 (AP)—Three Army bombers crashed in widely separated areas of the Pacific northwest yesterday, killing 15 fliers and injuring three.

Gov't Bureau Gets Control Of All Autos

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Specific control over all rubber-borne transportation facilities, including passenger automobiles, buses, taxicabs and trucks, was lodged by President Roosevelt today in the Office of Defense Transportation.

Nazi Pilot Held In San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO, May 4 (AP)—Taciturn Hans Peter Krug, 22-year-old Nazi bomber pilot captured here last Friday night after his escape from a Canadian concentration camp, is being held here pending a conference between U.S. and German officials.

Outstanding Program Opens Music Observance

An outstanding program of music, piano and voice, was presented for the fifth annual time to over 600 persons Sunday afternoon at the city auditorium by the Music Study club and Parent-Teacher Mother Singers as the opening event of National and International Music Week.

Business News On Page 3

Appearing on Page 3 of today's Herald is the first of a series of full-page reviews of Big Spring Business and Professional activities. The page will appear each Monday and in each Friday's Weekly Herald, with different messages of interest to all.

SEVEN SHIPS SUNK

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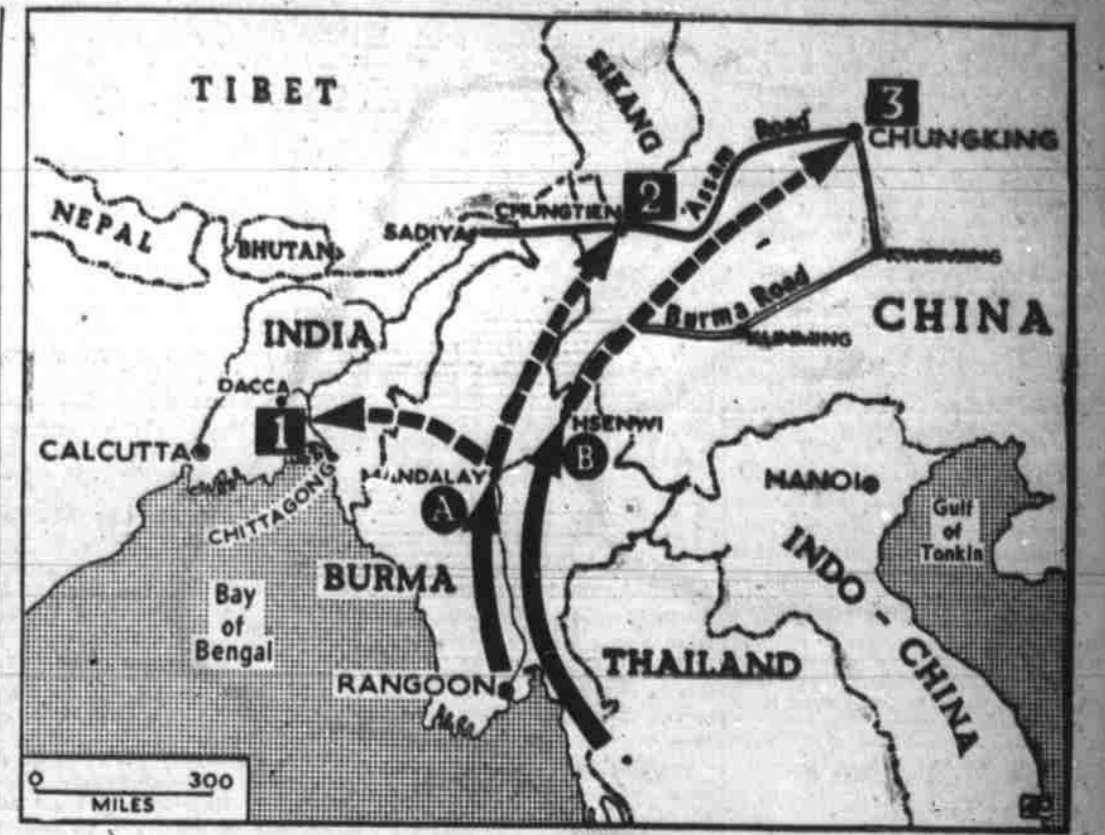
Civilian Use Must Be Pared Greatly To Meet War Needs WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Petroleum Coordinator Ickes told a congressional committee today that, if necessary to preserve the nation's petroleum stocks, "non-essential motoring, boating and flying must be cut right through the bone into the very marrow."

Testifying before a special house committee investigating the petroleum situation, Ickes said the supply situation in the east had been under continuous attack, and, on the basis of these studies, we expect to be able to make recommendations tomorrow as to the degree of gasoline curtailment which we believe is necessary for the east coast at the present time.

Japanese Burma Gains Pose New Threat To China, India

JAPS ONLY 25 MILES FROM LINE

By Associated Press The Japanese campaign in Burma developed swiftly today into a stark invasion threat to China from the south and India from the east as the enemy pushed China's expeditionary army to within 20 miles of the Yunnan frontier and forced the battered British troops back to less than 150 miles from the Bengal border.



The fire-blackened ruins of Mandalay in the center of a Japanese wedge up the broad Irrawaddy valley separated the Allied defense forces. A British military commentator described the Japanese thrust up the severed Burma road toward Chungking, 700 miles to the northeast, as the heaviest assault of the campaign. He said the slowing of the flow of supplies to China since the fall of Rangoon apparently had sapped the strength of the Chinese army.

Burma Drive Threatens China Anew—The Japanese northward drive (black arrows) in Burma, having reached Mandalay (A) on the west and Hsenwi (B) on the east, east China's grave new peril into clear light. Advances from Chungking said there no longer was any doubt that the enemy was smashing eastward toward China rather than westward toward India (1). It was believed that the Japanese would try to sever the remote Assam Road (2) linking India and China, now that the Burma Road had been cut. Axis reports hinted that the Japanese goal might be Chungking (3), Free China's capital.

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Russian Front Wet

LONDON, May 4 (AP)—Rivers swollen by the spring thaw were reported today to be holding both the Russian and German armies in check along the 2,000 mile battle-front.

Sugar Registration Fast And Cheerful

In uniformly good spirit, Big Spring folks started Monday to register for their first war ration book — the little couponed affair which controls the sugar destinies of individuals for the next 60 days.

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BIG SPRING BUSINESS and PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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Floral Designing A Specialty Of Leon's

Growing up in a florist shop can be paid to be literally true about Leon Lederman, owner and manager of Leon's Flowers, 316 Runnels, who some six months ago opened his shop here.

Since his father was in the landscaping business in Dallas, Lederman helped before and after school and during summers. He learned about flowers right along with growing up.

Then 18 years ago, he went into the cut-flower end of the business.

His experience includes being a designer for Burton Orchids and Flowers in Dallas where he spent four years, and being manager of the Texas Seed and Plant company in Dallas for 3 1/2 years where he also had charge of the green house.

From Dallas he went to Commerce where he owned the Commerce Floral company for a year and a half and then to Greenville where he took charge of the E. D. Barlow green house for eight



Special Display— is presented here by Leon's Flowers, newest florist concern in the city operated by Leon Lederman who has had 18 years experience in floral design. Located at 316 Runnels, Leon's this week is adding special stocks to handle a volume of Mother's Day orders. (Kelsey Photo.)

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Last November Lederman moved his family to Big Spring and set up his own florist business at Sherrod Hardware store.

Of all the business, Lederman professes a weakness for liking the designing end of it best. Designing flowers for table centerpieces, corsages, weddings, funerals all call for skill for which he has taken much training. He was designing instructor in three schools at the state florist convention and also graduated from the Standard School of Floral culture at Sedalia, Mo.

Holidays for the average person aren't holidays for florists but their busiest times. Mothers Day is one of the biggest flower

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B'Spring Auto Parts-Glass In New Home

With services to match his confidence in the future of Big Spring, W. L. Meier has opened his new Big Spring Auto Parts and Glass Co., at 608 E. 3rd street.

Though the building which houses his stock and much of the fixtures are new, Meier is no newcomer to Big Spring for he came here in 1935 from Lubbock to open the Big Spring Wrecking Company. However, he has replaced this service with a more complete parts line and accessories together with glass cutting for almost any purpose.

In addition, the company now is soon to feature a modern mirror plant which will enable Meier to silver mirrors to meet any specification.

The parts line includes those of almost all standard makes of automobiles along with a complete line of used parts. When he converted his wrecking concern, Meier saved his best used parts and converted the others into scrap metal for national defense.

Also handled by the company are a line of accessories. Generator work is performed and general repairs and mechanical work are effected.

A specialty is the glass department, where equipment is combined with proven skill in cutting the material to any size or design. This frequently means he furnishes glass tops for oddly shaped tables.

Auto glass is furnished in either the safety or the regular glass. However, more and more glass requirements are tending to the safety type, which once was a



New Services— have been added by W. L. Meier, in the opening of a new home at 608 East Third for his Big Spring Auto Parts and Glass Co. To his parts and accessory sales he has added a glass department, including cutting and mirror work. (Kelsey Photo.)

Jonah to handle. Meier will handle the mirror department of his concern, for, as a sort of believe-it-or-not, he can show a renewed certificate which declares him to be a registered See AUTO PARTS, Page 1, Col. 4

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS NEWS IN PICTURES



AT END OF HIS ROPE?—A certain A. Hitler is at the end of rope the cowboy holds, in this wood carving that has place of honor on the desk of Commerce Secretary Jesse Jones.



THERE'LL BE RESIDENTS BY AND BY—A soldier stands guard at the enemy alien concentration camp at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, where adult males considered dangerous to nation's security are to be "guests" of Uncle Sam—for the duration. Camp, a quarter mile long and eighth of a mile wide, has about 270 tents, each with accommodations for six men. Long cement buildings are for cooking and hospital use. Lookout towers and floodlighting are planned. Two rows of barbed wire enclose camp.



SUIT-SHAPE—Inventor, Thomas Metcalfe, a Briton, wears a bright yellow shipwreck suit which, he claims, might save lives. It's of rubberized material conspicuous to rescuing craft.



QUEEN—Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, a war exile in London, recently broadcast to her people, whether exiled or Axis-dominated, saying that thousands of Dutch sailors who escaped from Dutch East Indies would re-form a Netherlands fleet.



SOLDIER SLUGGER—Some of his buddies hang over the fence to talk with Hank Greenberg, former Detroit Tiger's slugger who's now a sergeant in the air corps at Tampa, Fla., during a game between Camp MacDill Fliers vs. Tampa U.



IN-LAW—David Bowes-Lyon, 31, brother of Queen Elizabeth of England, has arrived in Washington, D. C., where he'll serve as a representative of the British ministry of economic warfare. He's a Scot with wide experience in field of economics.



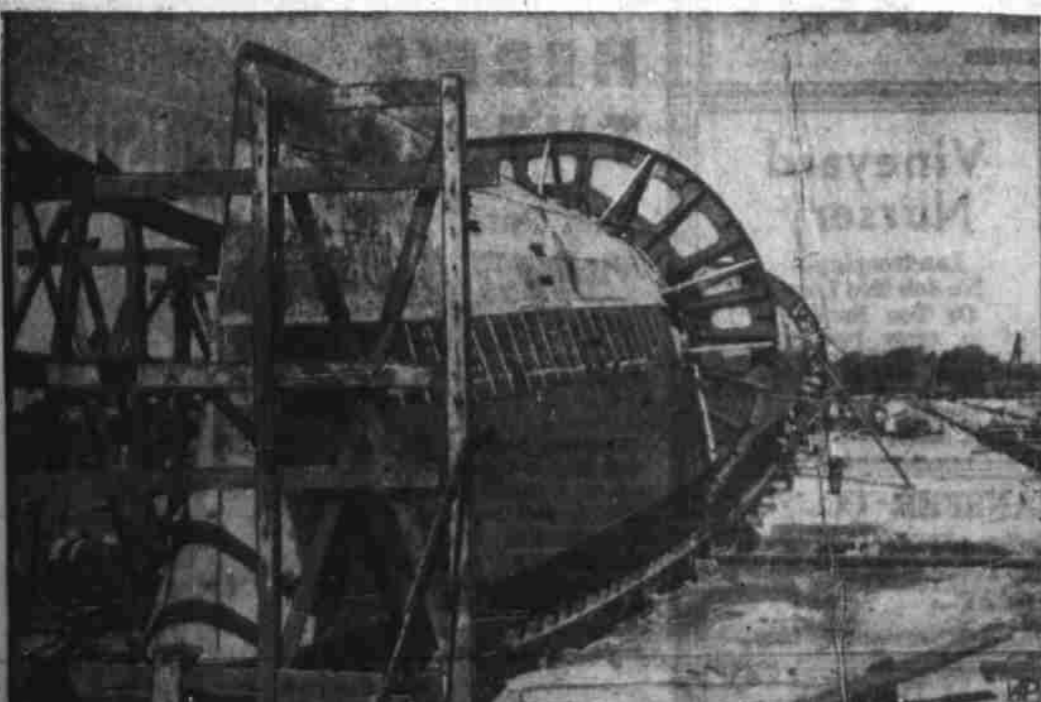
JUST IMAGINE—How the attention of Johnny Puleo can wander down the fairway when shapely Audrey Korn is at the left is just one of those mysteries of Hollywood, where they both appeared for a golf match—Audrey as a caddy, oh yeah? The match, between 45" Puleo and 74" Lockhard Martin, was staged over the Rancho Country club course.



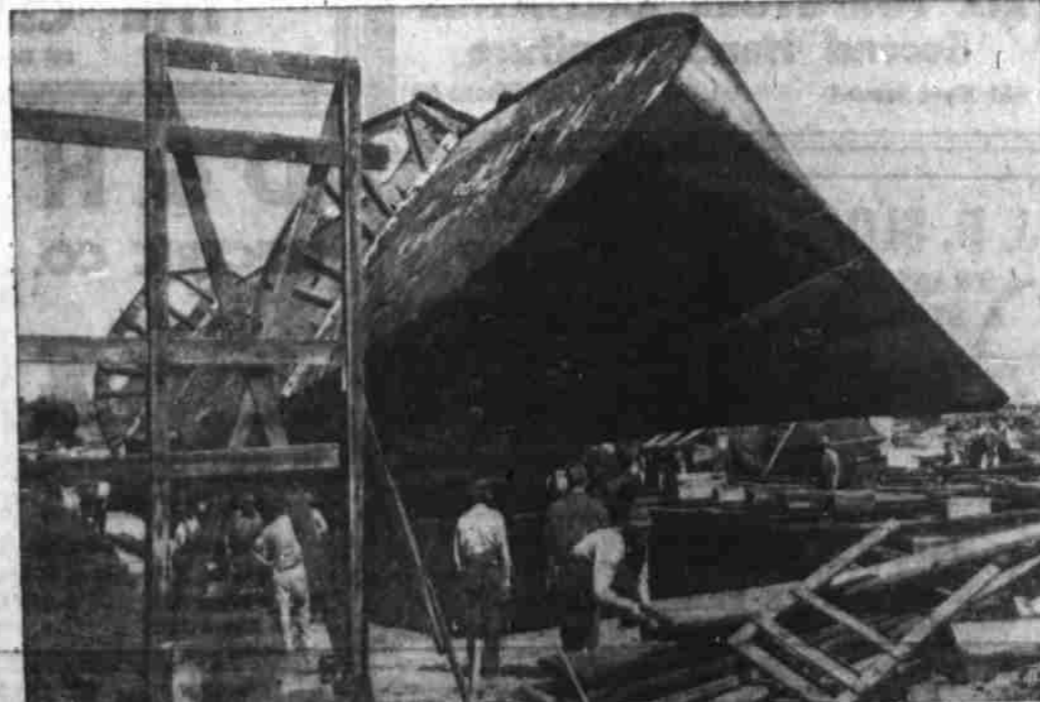
THOSE OPEN SPACES—Pulling strings is a matter of life or death now, for E. D. Griffin, seaman first class, U.S. navy, must release the parachute that will drop him to earth gradually. He has just jumped from a training plane at the Corpus Christi, Tex., naval air station, as part of his final examination. His home is in Oakland Park, Fla.



STINGERS OF UNCLE SAM'S NAVY—Long rakish lines of the navy's patrol torpedo (PT) boats appear in view taken while these units of fierce-stinging "mosquito fleet" were maneuvering off Panama, where they're helping guard the Canal.



BOTTOMS UP FOR A SUB CHASER—Those 173-foot subchasers being turned out at the rate of one a week by Defoe Shipbuilding Co. in Bay City, Mich., start life with their hulls being built upside down—a reversal of shipyard procedure. Note the wheels.



NOW FOR THE ROLL-OVER—To right the upside-down hull, it is rolled over on slightly eccentric wheels with one flat side, the wheels moving on a heavy steel track. Defoe engineers say they've cut construction time from six weeks to one week.



BOTTOMS DOWN—Upright, the subchaser being built by Defoe at Bay City, Mich., is ready for its prefabricated superstructure. These boats are for navy's inshore patrol. A launching table lowers the boat finally into the water.

Improving Security Program First Task

President Roosevelt is working on a huge anti-inflationary program which will include more taxes. Some of his advisers would like him to recommend payroll taxes for compulsory disability and hospital insurance. But this would be much more than emergency taxes; it would launch a vast social experiment. Both of these social insurances are health insurance. Congress has shown an unmistakable lack of interest in compulsory health insurance. Congress should not be asked to adopt pieces of the system in the guise of war finance.

Once adopted, health insurance would become permanent. That is its history in European countries. Most of the new emergency taxes, it is to be hoped, will eventually be dropped, when the emergency is over. The country ought not to be rushed into taking on a new type of social insurance which will not be dropped.

Health insurance taxes could probably provide little, if anything at all, toward financing the war. Hospitalization has proved costly

Hollywood Sights and Sounds— Six Gals On One Set Doesn't Mean Bloodshed

By ROBBIN COONS
HOLLYWOOD — "You must come over," said Lynn Bari, "the day all of us girls are on the set together. It will be sweet."

Miss Bari was in her dressing room on the set of "Orchestra Wives," doing nothing at the moment but on call, as she said, to "jeer at Linda Darnell—poor Linda. I'm always leering at her."

Miss Bari is one of six girls in the cast. Besides Linda, there are also Carole Landis, Virginia Gilmore, Mary Beth Hughes and Marjorie Hutton, the blonde vocalist from Glenn Miller's band—the outfit in which George Montgomery, the handsome horn-tooter, and Cesar Romero, the piano-playing fool, pursue their fictional musical careers.

"It will be very sweet," said Miss Bari, "when we girls get together." Miss Bari, in high good humor, smiled sweetly and gently all her throat with a gesture.

"But you all have too much respect for each other's art." It was suggested, "to start anything."

"Of course," said Miss Bari. "Of course!"

So it should be sweet, just as she said, but it probably won't. These mixings of feminine talent and temperament, in promise so rich in the titillating tales on which Hollywood thrives, seldom produce anything more exciting than occasional arched brows, bristlings, excessive politeness and more or less good-humored gags.

After "The Women" brought Norma Shearer, Joan Crawford, Rosalind Russell and Joan Fontaine together with no serious casualties (barring figurative frost-bite) the good old claw-and-tooth days of hair-pulling seemed definite.

Fight fans were hopeful when Alice Faye, Constance Bennett, Jape Wyman and Nancy Kelly were embroiled in "Tallspin," but the only real damage done was to those unfortunates who saw the picture.

"Ladies in Love," with C. Bennett, Janet Gaynor, Loretta Young and the redoubtable Simone Simon (promised even better, but added little to feminine fight history. Simone, in those days before her reformation, was pestiferous, and there were a few sparks but not enough to set the stage on fire.

The sad fact, for fight lovers, is that production schedules don't allow much time for temperament, and even the best established star had better think twice before tossing a right hook or a monkey-wrench into the works.

While we talked with Miss Bari, Glenn Miller and band, with Montgomery and Romero, went through rehearsals on their "Chattanooga Choo-Choo" number. Mr. Miller, a studious and hard-working young man, is the idol of millions of swinging fanatics, and there can be no doubt that he has something—something more than those frightful, horrendous combinations of weird noises his merry men call music.

I shall be in hiding when you read this. I leave behind a signed confession that I am out of step, that I belong to the great unwashed, that my appreciation of "modern music" is nil. But you know what it sounded like to me? It sounded like sour-note Montgomery playing ALL the instruments.

No Use For Bed 'Til Japs Licked

EVANSTON, Ill., May 4 (AP) — Stacked on the lawn of a large house for the salvage campaign was a pile of odds and ends, and beside it an iron cot, complete with mattress and pillows. Tied to the headboard of the cot was this placard:

"No more naps till we beat the Japs."

Bronc Rider Gets Thrown, Kicked

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 4 (AP) — Jack Cooper national champion bronco-buster from Newhall, Calif., was thrown from a horse and kicked in the face during a rodeo at Lakeside yesterday.

He suffered a fractured jaw, head injuries and possible internal injuries.

Man About Manhattan— Energy Has Limits Even For Cantor And Jolson

By GEORGE TUCKER
NEW YORK — Idea Dept: you can't use it all up, and have any left . . . Energy, I mean . . . Take Al Jolson and Eddie Cantor . . . They were the old timers who scored the greatest hits in the last two seasons . . . All the critics marveled at Jolson's magnificent energy, his enthusiasm and pep . . . Jolson had it . . . He worked night and day . . . His show became the hit of Broadway . . . Yet, when it was at its peak, Jolson had to quit . . . Same with Cantor, a whirling dervish type of guy who can't sit still . . . A tremendous worker . . . His "Banjo Eyes" was a great hit . . . But the other night Eddie had to quit, and go to the hospital for a rest . . . Somebody ought to show those guys how to ration their energy.

Success Dept: For years Paul Mason was a vocalist with Tommy Dorsey's band . . . His only hobby was playing with watches . . . The insides of watches fascinated him . . . If one of the boys in the band broke his watch, Paul fixed it . . . He got pretty good at fixing watches . . . One day Paul quit . . . And went down to a town in West Virginia. He bought him a piece of ground, and built a house on it . . . Then he became a watch maker . . . Presently they discovered oil in his back yard . . . Now he has plenty of coin and is living the best life, the only worthwhile life, which means doing what you want to do . . . And that's what Paul's doing—fixing watches.

Atlantic City Dept: . . . The war causes a few changes in this seaside city . . . The boardwalk is now a sort of rhapsody in blue . . . soft blue and purple lights are used on the lamp posts and in stores and shops along the boardwalk . . . Hackney's restaurant features a display of former "Miss America" . . .

San Antonio Dept: . . . A small airplane swooped down on a farm eight miles south of San Antonio, hurled a barn a quarter of a mile and did other damage estimated at \$2,500 yesterday afternoon. No loss of life nor injuries were reported.

SHIP LAUNCHED
BEAUMONT, May 4 (AP)—The CIA all-welded cargo ship—the sixth of its kind to be launched here—slid down the ways yesterday. The motor vessel was christened Cape Porpoise. Mrs. A. T. Stevens, wife of a yard worker and mother of a youth killed at Pearl Harbor, was sponsor.

People Send Strange Things To President

By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON—People send all kinds of things to President Roosevelt—jars of peaches, stamps or ship models for his collections, gadgets for his desk—but one of the most unusual was a 15 by 10 1/2 foot rug.

Woven into it in bright red letters were the words "Remember Pearl Harbor."

It was no ordinary rug—no rag or string mat. It was a Persian rug. The president turned it over to an auction house to be sold and the money to be donated to the Treasury for the war effort. A rug expert said it probably cost \$1,000.

What was significant about the gift was that the sender didn't sign his name to the accompanying letter. He identified himself only as an Armenian who landed in America some years ago with only \$25. This is what his letter said:

"I have prospered here, although in a modest way. Above all I have enjoyed a way of life which I had never known before. I found tolerance and freedom.

"It is my gratitude for these blessings which makes me want to do something toward the winning of our war. I have only a limited amount of cash, but I hope that the rug which I am donating can be offered for sale and the proceeds turned over to the nation's war chest."

The secretary of one of our mid-western senators is quite a fellow to be tinkering around the house, putting up shelves and what-not. The other day he needed a steel bit.

The hardware clerk explained that tools were not too plentiful, that whether he could have the bit depended on what he wanted it for.

To this day, the senatorial secretary couldn't tell you what prompted him to say it, but he blurted out: "I want to bore a hole in the fence at Griffith Stadium" (home field of the Washington Senators ball club).

The clerk, apparently dazed at this stroke of wit, wrapped it up. The secretary, equally dazed at his own genius, walked out with it.

The Indian Bureau has an odd rule. Employees must take 15 minutes leave (without pay) when they want to get a drink of water . . . Employees of no other agency are so penalized . . . Most fashionable job in Washington these days is "liaison man." War agencies, and old-line offices as well, have taken to detaching employees to other offices just to find out what they are doing . . .

The government is taking the initiative in the salary-allotment plan for selling war bonds . . . The President has appointed Rear Admiral Charles Conrad to promote the plan among government employees . . .

The Timid Soul



Secret Orders BY ELEANOR ATTERBURY

CHAPTER 25
Henri's True Colors

For a long time Stephanie pushed vainly against the heavy sleep that weighted her eyelids. As in a nightmare, she seemed to be plowing through sucking quicksands threatening to drag her back into unconsciousness. And the pain in her head was like a tight steel band.

When finally she forced her eyes open, she lay staring at the four grey walls of a tiny room and trying to force her trudging mind to tell her where she was. When her wits finally fell into rank, she sat up with a jerk. And then moaned aloud as a sharp pain stabbed behind her eyes.

Fingers pressed against her throbbing temples, she looked around her. A narrow iron cot covered with a thin, grimy blanket. One shallow window high in the narrow end of the room. A feeble shaft of light showing cement walls and floor. A trickle of water standing around the rusty mouth of a drain in the center of the floor.

Stephanie shuddered. Slowly, memory caught up with her. It was daylight now. She crossed to the window that was shoulder high. She'd been in this grisly place since about midnight! But who? Why?

The window showed her nothing but an alley, deserted except for a row of garbage cans. Her panic mounting with her returning wits, she raced to the door. Locked. Then, even as a scream trembled on her lips, she caught the sound of voices in the next room. Ear pressed to the narrow crack, she tried to hear what they said.

For a moment, only unintelligible sounds. Then gradually words stood out from the murmur. Gut-tural, thick speech that sounded like German.

She listened, straining every nerve, and some of her college German stood her in good stead now. Four different voices she distinguished and now and then she caught a word. They were discussing going somewhere in a beat. Arguing about it hotly.

Quick, angry retorts came so fast that, although the voices were raised now, the words came too quickly for Stephanie's faltering knowledge of the language. "Frau!" she heard them say often. That probably referred to herself, she realized apprehensively.

Henri

The voices subsided after awhile and she caught the sound of corks popping, the clink of glasses, then "Hell Miller!"

Prisoner of enemy aliens, Stephanie realized with cold horror, and as sound of raucous laughter burst in the next room, probably drunken captors at that! There must be a way out of here. There had to be!

She tried the window again. Bolted and barred by the intricate old-fashioned iron work on the outside, it offered no chance whatever. And the single door opening directly into the room where her four jailers quarreled noisily now. Terrified, she went back to the door. But, although she could still hear them talking, she could translate none of it. For what seemed hours, she paced the narrow prison fighting panic with every shred of courage she could muster. She mustn't let hysteria get the upper hand now.

She tried to rest once, forced herself to stretch out on the grimy cot. But her tortured nerves rebelled. It was easier when she stood peering out the window, or face pressed against the door jam.

And finally her vigilance was rewarded. The sound of a door opening in the next room. The harsh grating of chairs pushed back, the shuffle of feet. Then a

MODEST MAIDENS



"Now, mother, you KNOW he always winds up in a hammock."

to naturalness.

"The cause of the Fatherland," he explained coolly. "We need your help."

"What are you trying to tell me?" she demanded.

"That while I dislike immensely having to inconvenience you like this—" he shrugged, glanced around the dismal room. "Still—war is war and duty is duty."

"I still do not understand."

Now his smile bared his even white teeth. "Your father is the controlling figure in an industry which interests us very much—the making of gun-powder—dynamite. At the moment we are most interested in the shipment of explosives he is loading. A shipment destined, we understand, for China, and leaving the harbor sometime before midnight tonight."

Like pieces from a jig-saw puzzle, remembered incidents began fitting together, to make a picture in Stephanie's mind. Henri's great interest in her father, in the powder plant at Titan, his increased "devotion" to Vicky involving his constant visits to the big old Merrill home. Liu's sudden appearance out of the parlor only last evening.

"We are concerned about that ship, Stephanie," he went on smoothly. "We are determined it shall not leave this harbor."

"And what's to stop it?" she demanded, coolly, while inside her calm smashed all to pieces.

He looked at her a moment, that shaky smile still curving his thin lips. "You are."

Stephanie stared at him, incredulous. "I am!"

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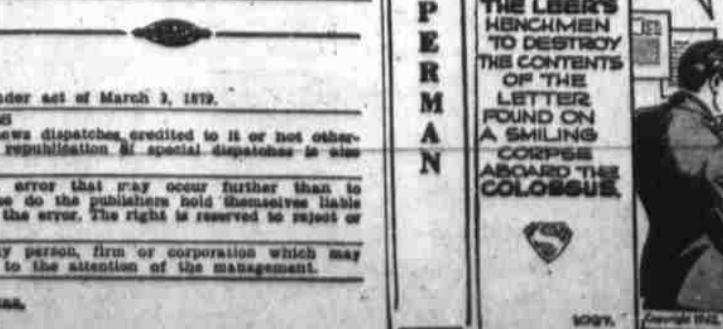
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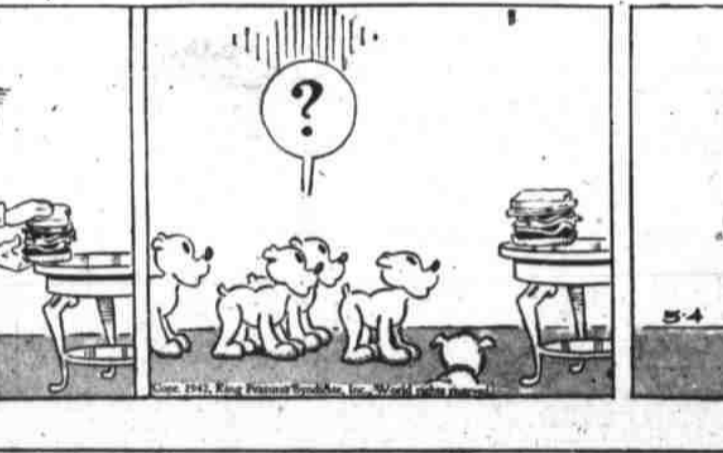
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Saves Tires The Only Real Way

LAUREL, Neb., May 4 (AP) — David French, 94, has a recipe for tire saving that he believes really works. His tires were getting old so he allowed his driver's license to lapse and put his car away for the duration.

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Big Spring Hospital Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hull are the parents of a son born Monday weighing 9 pounds. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stepp are the parents of a daughter born Sunday. The infant weighed 6 pounds.

BURIED WITH HONORS

MELBOURNE, May 4 (AP)—Brig. Gen. Harold H. George of the U. S. Army Air Corps, who was killed in an airplane accident last Monday, was buried with full military honors today in Springvale cemetery 30 miles from here after services at Christ church in nearby South Yarra.

One Week Commencing TONIGHT Auspices American Legion Show Grounds West 3rd HARLEY SADLER TENT THEATRE Added Feature Famous Plunkett Family Plus Strobellite Musical Review

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A huge new magazine campaign for Swan Soap was announced today by Lever Brothers as an addition to the Swan advertising campaign which already includes large schedules in newspapers, the Burns and Allen radio show heard every week by 3 million people over the biggest network ever to carry a commercial program, daytime and spot radio, and billboards.

Governor Urges Conservation of Waste Materials

AUSTIN, May 4 (AP)—Conservation of waste materials, especially from steel, rubber, rags and paper, is essential to an early triumph over the axis powers, Governor Coke Stevenson declared today.

Weather Forecast

(U. S. Department of Commerce) (Weather Bureau) WEST TEXAS—Warmer this afternoon than yesterday in the Panhandle and South Plains. Otherwise, temperatures about the same as during the previous 24 hours.

STATE THEATRE 213 E. 3rd LAST TIMES TODAY 'GIRL FROM GOD'S COUNTRY' Starring—Chester Morris Jane Wyatt Chas. Bickford Plus Merrie Melody Color Cartoon and Late News

Here 'n There

Calamity in quadruple portions has descended upon A. B. Brown. Monday he reported four tires had been removed from his car. Think of it, four tires!

Lieut. Clyburn Visits Parents

At home with his parents for a 10-day furlough is First Lieut. Clifford J. Clyburn of Knott, who is with the 142nd infantry at Camp Blanding, Fla.

Garden City School System Rates High

Garden City schools came through with flying colors last week on the evaluative criteria required periodically by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Texas Conference Meet Transferred To Brownwood

SHERMAN, May 4 (AP)—Austin College officials have announced that the annual Texas conference track and field meet scheduled in Sherman May 14 and 15, has been transferred to Brownwood.

Flying Instructors Killed In Crash

COLUMBUS, Miss., May 4 (AP)—Two instructors at the Columbus Army Flying school met death yesterday in the crash of a twin engine training plane north of Columbus and five miles south of Aberdeen.

Army Opposes Limiting Of Commissions

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Faced with a growing shortage of officers for the burgeoning army, the war department was reported today to be bringing heavy pressure to bear against legislation that would halt the issuance of "quickie" commissions to civilians.

Lamesa Awaits Final Word On Glider School

LAMESA, May 4 (SpI)—Status of a projected glider school for this city is relatively unchanged, it was reported here today.

Markets At A Glance

NEW YORK, May 4 (AP)—Attempts to stretch the stock market rally to a 5-day affair were successful in part today but many leaders lost rising power after early firmness.

Another Brazilian Freighter Sunk

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, May 4 (AP)—The Brazilian freighter Parnahyba has been torpedoed and sunk near the island of Trinidad and a Spanish liner has picked up one life boat with 22 survivors, it was announced officially today.

Farmers Vote For Marketing Quotas

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Operation of the federal wheat marketing control program for another season is favored overwhelmingly by the growers.

War Spending Already Equals Total For The Last Conflict



Vaudeville Team—The entertainment duo of Eastman and Cannon presents some of the many acts offered along with the plays each night this week by the popular Harley Sadler company. Harley's troupe is here for a week's engagement, beginning tonight, under auspices of the American Legion post, with performances at 8:30 in a tent theatre on West Third street.

WASHINGTON, May 4 (AP)—Fiscal officials disclosed today that the United States already has paid out in cash for this war as much as it spent during World War I.

The cost of the first World War to the United States from 1917 until the peace treaty was ratified in 1921 was \$25,720,000,000, including loans to the allies.

With spending running over \$5,000,000,000 a month, moreover, it won't be long before costs of World War II exceed the aggregate cost of the last war, including expenditures not only up the peace treaty but also for pensions, compensation, bonuses and other purposes since. Counting these extras, the first World War cost about \$45,000,000,000.

By this time next year, World War II costs will be greater than all American wars put together. Counting pensions and similar after payments, the previous wars cost something over \$62,000,000,000.

Brown County Reunion Held

LAMESA, May 4 (SpI)—Former residents of Brown county staged their second annual reunion at the city park here Sunday with festivities that attracted more than three score persons.

Axis Loses Million Tons Of Shipping

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, May 4 (AP)—The British officially announced today that 1,287,500 tons of axis merchant shipping had been sunk in the Mediterranean since Italy entered the war.

No Sugar Ration For Dogs Allowed

NEW YORK, May 4 (AP)—A long-suffering dog will simply have to learn to use lemon instead of sugar.

The Junior V-Elts Whirlpool is especially designed for the un-developed and under-developed bust. Whirlpool stitching of the cups provides the small uplift needed and gives a more feminine and accentuated contour. 2.60 to 3.95 SHOP THE FASHION TOMORROW

Four Destroyers In 50 Minutes KEARNY, N. J., May 4 (AP)—A quartet of destroyers, four more American contributions of sea-power to the United Nation's drive to defeat the axis, glided down the ways into the Hackensack river yesterday in 50 minutes.

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