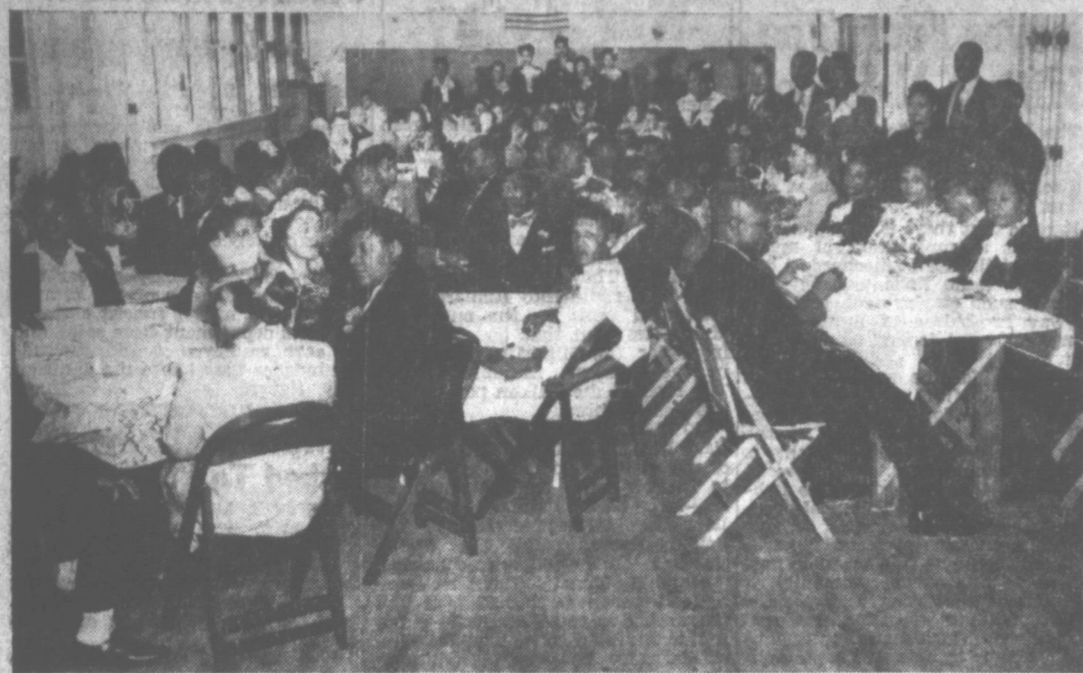
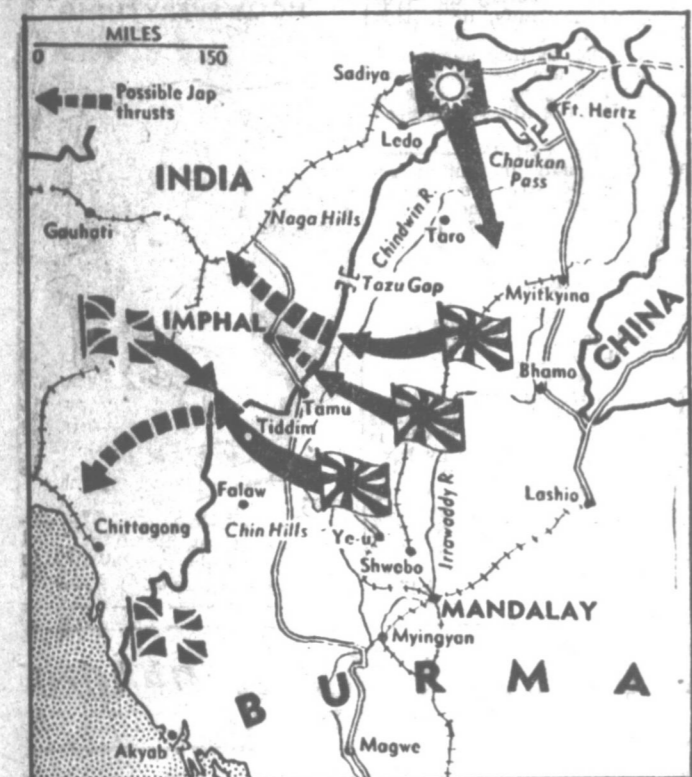


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Negro residents of Pampa are just as patriotic as any other as attested by the sale of \$2,000 worth of war bonds at the event shown above, a banquet given by the Macedonia Baptist church...

NIPS PUNCH WAY INTO INDIA



Solid arrows in today's war map show multiple Jap-Burma thrust penetrating the Indian border. Probable goals—break-through to isolate British working down the coast toward Akyab...

OPA Will Probe 'Pressure' Report

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(AP)—Spokesmen for the office of price administration, the agricultural department and national selective service today promised prompt investigations of reports that "pressure" had been used to get farmers through draft deferment and rationing procedures.

All of the spokesmen heard in reply said they did not condone any such plan. The witnesses included Wilson Cowen, assistant administrator of the war food administration; W. G. Finn, assistant chief of the AAA; Colonel Francis V. Keessing, Jr., selective legislative representative, and Charles P. Phillips, head of the OPA non-highway gasoline and farm machinery rationing program.

Cowen said he had no knowledge of "pressure" having been brought through the department of agriculture to use draft deferment and rationing regulations to induce farmers to sign AAA agreements. In the cases cited, he promised prompt inquiry.

Finn declared there had been "no official or unofficial instruction" to require membership in the AAA as a condition for draft deferment or gasoline rations.

OPA, Phillips said, had "no intent to put pressure on anyone to join any organization," but said he was aware of complaints that local committees were using their authority to force certain farmers to join the Triple A. "Instructions recently sent out, he added, should cure the problem.

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Flood Control Bill National In Scope

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(AP)—Legislation to authorize an \$810,000,000 postwar flood control program has been introduced by Chairman Whittington (D-Miss.) of the

house flood control committee. Whittington termed the measure "national in scope, embracing local protective works and reservoirs in the principal river basins of the United States."

All the projects included in the bill, he added, have been favorably recommended by the army engineers.



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Draft Rule To Curtail Drilling

Drilling operations will be "drastically curtailed" in the immediate future if the present rate of drafting men under 38 from the drilling industry is maintained, a report prepared by the manpower subcommittee of the petroleum administration for war's production committee for district three and adopted by the committee asserted today at Houston.

To continue to operate present rigs and to expand operations to meet PAW schedules about 27,000 men are needed in the drilling industry, said the report which was submitted to the committee at a meeting of 200 Texas and Louisiana oil men.

The industry is 25 per cent below PAW's schedule of 24,000 wells to be drilled this year, the report said in urging PAW to act as intermediary with selective service state headquarters in each state "so as to give greater weight to replacement schedules filed by industry."

Supreme Court To Review Texas Case

WASHINGTON, March 28.—(AP)—The supreme court agreed today to review a lower court decision holding constitutional a Texas law requiring paid labor unions to register with the secretary of state before soliciting members.

Validity of the statute was challenged by R. J. Thomas, of Detroit, a CIO vice president and president of the International Union, United Automobile, Aircraft and Agricultural Implement Workers of America.

Thomas was convicted of contempt of court at Houston for violating a court order enjoining him from soliciting members without obtaining an organizer's card.

His supreme court petition contended his constitutional right of freedom of speech was violated by the statute and the restraining order. The legislation and his conviction were upheld by the Texas supreme court.

We must face this problem realistically. If the Germans stay in Rome they must be driven out. It now appears the Germans must be driven out because they have given no evidence of love for culture or Christian civilization.

NEW YORK CURB

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Wheat: ORANGE TABLE

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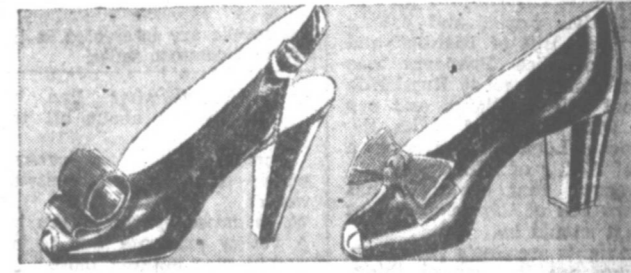
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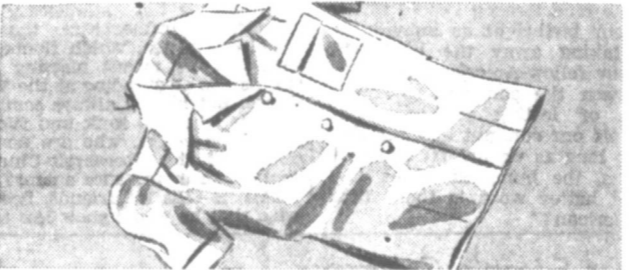
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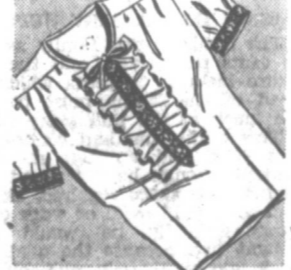
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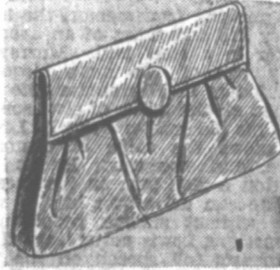
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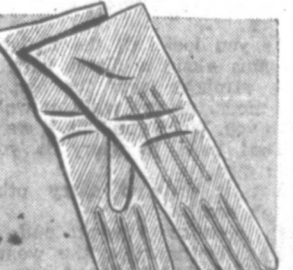
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Sheer rayon net, prettily ruffled. In white and Spring pastels. So flattering!



Tank Cannon Drills Holes for Blasting

Exasperated by the tedious hours it took for a six-man crew to drill holes for blasting a roadway through a volcanic hill at a Pacific base, Chief Carpenter's Mate Thomas J. Waters (inset) of Arlington, Mass., got the bright idea of pumping 75-mm. shells from a Marine Corps General Sherman tank into the hill.

Under the first course your bonds can and will be paid.

Each fighting pilot must have the support of about 30 men on the ground, and each pursuit or bombing plane requires the services of at least that many ground vehicles.

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