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U. S. FLYERS BOMB GERMANY

Allied Planes Shatter Big Japanese Convoy

10 WARSHIPS, 12 TRANSPORTS, 55 PLANES AND 15,000 MEN LOST BY JAPANESE IN FIGHT

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia, March 4 (Thursday) (UP)—Allied planes battering a big Japanese convoy bound for New Guinea have turned the engagement into a major disaster for the enemy, with every one of the enemy's ten warships and twelve transports sunk or sinking, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced Thursday.

"The Battle of Bismarck Sea now is decided," the noon communique issued at United Nations headquarters said. "We have achieved a complete victory. The completeness was such as to assume the proportions of a major disaster for the enemy. His entire force was practically destroyed."

Fifteen thousand ground troops on the vessels were drowned or killed, almost to a man, the official announcement said, and fifty-five enemy planes were shot out of action Tuesday and Wednesday.

"Merciful Providence guided us to this victory," MacArthur commended.

The convoy included ten warships, described in the communique as cruisers or destroyers, escorting the twelve transports. The entire fleet represented a total of 90,000 tons.

"All are sunk or sinking," the communique reported.

The big convoy, one of the largest ever sent against New Guinea by the Japanese, was sighted Monday north of New Britain Island. It was advancing behind a weather front that prevented MacArthur's American and Australian planes from attacking.

Tuesday, however, Flying Fortresses and Liberators took off through tropical storms and trapped the convoy north of Cape Gloucester, on the southwestern tip of New Britain and about 150 miles from its destination at Lae, the Japanese base on New Guinea's north coast.

Early reports had placed the size of the convoy at four to six vessels, but Thursday's communique based on information from later returning pilots, put the number of enemy ships at twenty-two.

It said the convoy as it was originally sighted consisted of only fourteen ships but that on Wednesday afternoon by eight other vessels.

All categories of Allied planes rained to the attack Wednesday, driving blow after blow at the enemy vessels as they sought to escape, probably to Lae, the direction in which they were headed.

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Whiskers Here?



New York Mayor LaGuardia's whiskers with captured Italian generals, revealed in his short-wave broadcast to Italy, indicate that famed Gen. Annibale "Electric Whiskers" Bergonzoli, above, is in the U. S.

A & M Leads All Military Schools In Men In Service

ATLANTA, Mar. 2—The number of Texas A. & M. men in service is greater than that contributed by either West Point or the Naval Academy!

Thirty-five former Texas A. & M. students were on Corregidor when it was seized by the Japs! These facts were revealed today by Major D. S. Buchanan, weapon officer with a Marine unit at Camp Pendleton, Calif., who has been in Hollywood assisting Producer Walter Wanger in the filming of Universal Studio's "We've Never Been Licked," a war melodrama portraying the ideals of Texas A. & M. College.

Major Buchanan is a graduate of Texas A. & M. and was an instructor in animal nutrition there for 17 years prior to being called back to service. He is a member of the school's Board of Directors.

Twenty members of the major's ROTC graduating class in 1917 went into the Marine Corps. He entered the Corps as a Second Lieutenant, served in France and was discharged a captain after the war. He has received the following decorations and medals: The Fourragere, two Croix de Guerre, two Purple Hearts, the Silver Star and Victory Medal with four battle stars.

Other Texas A. & M. men now serving with the Marines at Camp Pendleton are: Lieut. Col. R. E. Thaxton, commanding officer of a battalion; Capt. J. F. McCollom, executive officer of a weapons company; and Lieut. (jg) John J. Feeney, dental officer.

88th Court Grand Jury Is Convened For March Term

The 88th district court grand jury, B. W. Patterson. Judge convened Thursday for the March term, is composed of the following persons:

- A. J. Ratliff, Ranger; W. K. Usery, Carbois; Joe Boatman, Cisco; W. E. Cooper, Eastland; Finis Erwin, Nimrod; W. J. Herington, Rising Star; D. J. Jobe Gorman; H. C. Nix, Olden, George Cross, Eastland; J. W. Huff Cisco; F. S. Pearson, Ranger; H. H. Roe, Desdemona; K. E. Kirk, Ranger; Frank Dean, Gorman; W. W. Wallace, Cisco; Robert Tucker, Cisco.

Curfew Bill On Liquor, Beer Wine Sales Held Up

AUSTIN, Tex., Mar. 4, (UP)—The Texas House of Representatives sent the bill fixing a curfew on liquor, beer and wine sales back to the liquor traffic committee today. The vote was 75-40.

The bill had come to the house floor for final passage.

Proponents of the recommitment told the house they desired to make changes in the section which prohibits Sunday beer and wine sales.

Oil & Gas Assn. Directors Meeting In Eastland

The board of directors of the Central West Texas Oil and Gas Association of which Joseph M. Weaver of Eastland is president, will hold its annual meeting at the American Legion Hall in Eastland this afternoon and tonight.

Among other business to come before the meeting will be that of election of officers.

The American Legion Auxiliary will serve a banquet in the evening.

Moving Day on Guadalcanal



With the Army on the job, U. S. Marines load up and leave Guadalcanal on the same barges that brought them, and from the very spot where they made first landings.

J. N. Erwin Dies Following Three Months' Illness

Friends have been advised of the death of J. N. Erwin, March 3, in San Antonio, where he had gone for medical treatment. Funeral services were held in Gause, Texas, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The deceased had been in ill health for the past three months.

He was employed by the Stanslow Pipe Line Company for the past twenty years. He was a member of the First Baptist church in Ranger.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Eunice Erwin, Ranger, two sons, Joseph Erwin of Baytown, Roy Erwin of the U. S. Navy, and three daughters, Mrs. Hazel Brunette and Mrs. Johnnie Lenze of San Antonio and Mrs. Eunice Dabbs of Ranger.

Victory Garden Growers Should Study Diseases

COLLEGE STATION, Mar. 2—Texans who plan to have a Victory Garden this year will do well to read "Plant Diseases in Texas and Their Control," a 70-page free circular prepared by Dr. A. A. Dunlap, chief of the Division of Plant Pathology and Physiology, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, a division of Texas A. & M. College.

A penny post card asking for Circular No. 91 mailed to Dr. Dunlap, of the Department of Information and College Publications, Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, is all that is necessary to obtain this free publication.

Diseases of many trees, fruits, flowers, grains, vegetables and grasses are described with symptoms and control measures given. In addition the publication is illustrated to show several of the diseases affecting plant life.

Since its publication 10,000 copies have been distributed and within the past two weeks 1000 requests from Victory Garden planters.

Steel Lock Gates Go To Nation's Scrap Metal Heap

PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Mar. 2, (UP)—Unused since rice growing was abandoned along the lower Neches River, four steel lock gates at the junction of the river with the Sabine-Neches Canal are going back into the battle—but this time against the Axis rather than against nature.

The locks are to be dismantled and added to the nation's drive for scrap metal.

They were originally installed about 1913 to protect rice fields by preventing salt water from flowing up the channel in the Neches River.

PRESIDENT IS UNRESPONSIVE ON 4TH TERM

WASHINGTON, March 3 (UP)—President Roosevelt was unresponsive on Wednesday when several of the Democratic National Committee suggested that he run for a fourth term provided the war is still on next year, National Chairman Frank C. Walker disclosed.

Walker, who emphasized that it was too early to talk about the presidential race, headed a group of thirteen national committee officers and members who discussed war and politics for 30 minutes with the chief executive on the eve of the latter's tenth anniversary in the presidency.

After describing the President as optimistic over the trend of the war party chairman and Postmaster General was asked whether a fourth term was mentioned.

"One or two," he replied, said that if the war is on the President should be a candidate." He later said two or three unidentified conferees made the suggestion that the President either should be or would have to be a candidate.

Expect War to Last

"But they got no response from the President," Walker added. "I don't think he heard it, as he was doing most of the talking. If he did he smiled it off. It was said rather lightly and there was no discussion."

In response to questions Walker said all the committee group practically is agreed that the war will be on next year.

When asked whether that did not boil down to only one answer, that the President would be a candidate he replied:

"I have never seen any indication from him that he wants it with him. This is no time to discuss candidates for 1944. I say that very seriously. So many things can happen."

RED CROSS HONOR ROLL

- Following is a partial list of contributors to the Red Cross War Fund Campaign and others will be published as they are turned in.
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 - W. A. Disheroon
 - E. O. Everett
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ROTTERDAM DOCKS, RAILROAD YARDS AT HAMM, IN WESTERN GERMANY TARGETS FOR BOMBS

Second Week of Allied Offensive Finds Allies At Advantage On All Fronts With Enemy Suffering Great Losses

LONDON, Eng. Mar. 4. (UP)—American Flying Fortresses swarmed back into the great Allied air offensive against Nazi Europe today, smashing by daylight at two key hubs of Adolf Hitler's communications system—the docks at Rotterdam and railroad yards at Hamm in Western Germany.

As the offensive swept into its second week, Allied land, sea and air forces were revealed to have shattered a big Japanese convoy off New Guinea, sunk or destroyed 16 Axis ships in the Mediterranean, and pressed within three miles of Faid Pass in Tunisia.

The American planes picked up by day where the Royal Air Force left off by night, after a heavy raid on Hamburg, Germany's second city, which rocked under a block-buster assault two nights after the heaviest attack of the war on Berlin.

The admiralty revealed that British submarines hacking at Axis supply lines to Tunisia had destroyed seven ships and damaged nine more in wide spread attacks.

The submarines also crept into the Italian shore to shell a shipyard on the Gulf of Genoa, scoring hits on two vessels, and to fire on an Italian train.

Reports from North Africa indicated the Allies now were poised for a big push against the Sfax-Gabes bottle-neck in South Tunisia, while Marshal Erwin Rommel was reported shelling his strength into the Mareth Line against the anticipated assault by the British Eighth Army.

This plan—still subject to possible change—means that an individual's weekly meat purchases might exceed considerably the expected average of 1 3/4 pounds if he went without the other items. He could buy more butter and cheese, less meat.

As the OPA perfected its plans, it appeared that most major food items will be rationed by sometime in April.

Farm Cash Income Above Last Year Expected To Rise \$12,567.47 Taxes Turned Over To Common Schools

AUSTIN, Texas, March 2.—Whether agricultural production in Texas in 1943 rises above last year's levels or not, farm cash income will still be above that for 1942, Dr. F. A. Burchel, assistant director of the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research, predicts.

In January, farm income was 45 per cent higher than that for the same month of 1942, and two and one-half times larger than the average January income of the base period, 1929-1932. The Bureau has reported farm prices increased during 1942 by 13 per cent.

It is not likely that the year to year percentage increase in cash income shown this January over a year ago will continue throughout 1943," Dr. Burchel said. "But since the rate of increase in farm prices was much more rapid during the last six months of 1942 than during the first six, we may expect a substantial increase in dollar income whether production is increased or not."

- County Tax Assessor-Collector Clyde Karkalis collected and turned over to County School Superintendent Homer Smith, \$12,567.47, in school taxes for the month of January 1943, which was distributed by the County School Superintendent, to the schools as follows:
- Central, \$129.85; Lone Cedar, \$357.83; Union, \$218.20; Flatwoods, \$348.37; Morton Valley, \$1350.51; Colony, \$1853.77; Cross Roads, \$269.34; Triumph, \$55.31; Tanner, \$62.78; Tudor, \$805.56; Kokomo, \$178.19; Alameda, \$182.79; Hallmark, \$67.84; Sandy, \$394.70; Shady Grove, \$162.53; Dan Horn, \$62.25; Boon, \$55.54; Long Branch, \$143.02; Cottonwood, \$437.23; Huff Branch, \$183.47; Friendship, \$75.02; Elm, \$94.41; Crocker, \$145.80; Grandview, \$106.63; Okra, \$889.59; Salem, \$188.20; New Hope, \$74.90; Dothan, \$180.98; Bullock, \$250.74; Romney, \$377.74; Pleasant Hill, \$864.97; Cook, \$78.30; Center Point, \$254.72; Bedford, \$264.99; Grapevine, \$113.50; Mangum \$2.52; Reagan, \$375.52; Nimrod, \$189.74; Scranton, \$676.25; Leon, \$61.13; Leary, \$17.56; Indian Mountain, \$89.15; School Hill, \$9.41.
- Total of \$12,567.47.

Rotarians Give \$50 To Red Cross War Fund Drive

A donation of \$50 was made to the Red Cross War Fund by members of the Rotary Club when they met Wednesday for the weekly luncheon at the Paramount Hotel.

Following the luncheon, Dr. G. C. Boswell, in charge of the program, gave a timely and interesting talk on Texas Independence.

Business Failures In Texas Show Big Decline This Year

AUSTIN, Tex., Mar. 2.—Only three commercial failures were recorded in Texas last month, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research has announced, showing a 70 per cent drop from the ten failures recorded in January of 1942.

Liabilities of the failing firms were listed at \$28,000, while assets amounted to \$10,000. This was compared with December failures of two firms with liabilities of \$31,000 and assets of only \$8,000.

THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS — Occasional rain and warmer tonight but becoming colder in northwest portion Friday morning. Fresh to strong winds this afternoon and tonight.



1 in 1,000,000 Here's what happens when bullet hits bullet. One fired from a German Focke-Wulf plane hit the rear gun of a U. S. bomber over Tunisia and exploded this 50 caliber machine gun cartridge. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

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Urge Travel in Argentina—see Argentina first. To stimulate interest in the scenic beauty of this country, the commission will award "travel scholarships" to outstanding employees of offices and factories of Buenos Aires and other large cities.

News Travels By Odd Channels But Finally Arrives

HOUSTON, Tex. Mar. 3. (UP) Marine Capt. Gordon Gayle didn't know he was a father and had a son until he heard the news from a naval officer at Guadalcanal.

Katherine, his wife, didn't know her husband had led one of the first landing parties in the Solomons until she read it in a book. The news had been exchanged in letters—but the letters were delayed en route.

When Captain Gayle was ordered by the naval officer at Guadalcanal of the birth of a baby in Houston named after a "Lieut. Dave Henry of the Navy Medical Service," Captain Gayle shouted: "That's my baby—David Donald Gayle."

"Dave and I had a pact—my first child was to be named after him; his first was to be named after me. We decided that when we were classmates at Southern Methodist University," he explained to the naval officer.

When Mrs. Gayle was told by a friend that "a Capt. Gordon

Gayle" was mentioned in the new best-seller, "Guadalcanal Diary," she ran to a bookstore to buy a copy and "find out what Gordon did over there."

Now she is comparing the account in her husband's long delayed letter with the account in the book.

The letter from her husband explains how he found out about the birth of their son.

Captain Gayle's former classmate, Lieutenant Henry told a naval officer who happened to meet the captain later at Guadalcanal that Lieutenant Henry's mother in Dallas had written him about the birth of the baby.

At the present time, Captain Gayle is in the South Pacific, recovering from a bout of malaria. His baby is four months old and doing fine.

Commercial and industrial payrolls have become the largest single factor in Texas' total income contributing more than half the \$4,143,000,000 income of 1942, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports. In the "prosperity year" of 1929, non-agricultural payrolls amounted to \$1,252,000,000. In 1942, they rose to \$1,506,000,000.

Finds His "Gas" Water
SAN JOSE, Cal. (AP)—William M. McLaughlin gave up three of his precious gasoline coupons for presumably 12 gallons of gasoline. He absolved the owner of the

gasoline station, a long-time friend, and opined rainwater must have drained into the tank accidentally, "but oh, my coupons," he moaned.

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Rationing At A Glance

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SUGAR—Stamp No. 11 in Book No. 1 good for 3 pounds until midnight, March 15, 1943.

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I HOPE TO KISS A TRICELETOPS. I DON'T!

WHAT TH' HECKS TH' MATTER WITH ME, ANYWAY?

THIS IS TH' DOGGONEDEST SITUATION I EVER DID GET INTO!

WELL, WELL! NOW WHAT'S THIS DOGGONE SITUATION YOU'VE GOT YOURSELF INTO, ALLEY?

EH? WELL, I'LL BE...!! DOC BRONSON!

BY V. T. HAMLIN



W-WHAT ARE YOU GETTING THAT FOR?

JUST IN CASE YOU GET TIRED AND DECIDE TO STOP RUNNING!

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ARE WE?

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BY MERRILL BLOSSER



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JUST IN CASE YOU GET TIRED AND DECIDE TO STOP RUNNING!

RED RYDER



WHAT? YOU'RE AN OUTLAW!

YOU—PEG-LEG? GIT BACK HERE AND HELP TH' BANKER OPEN THAT VAULT!

SAVE BART'S CHINNS IF THIS ANK

BY FRED HARMON



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Taxless Session Question May Be Answered Soon

AUSTIN, Tex., Mar. 3. (UP)—This week will likely give the answer to a question that has been asked repeatedly in Austin since the present session of the Texas legislature began. The question is: "Will there really be a taxless session?"

Recently opponents of new taxes have become jittery about the situation, though so far the only action taken has been for a reduction of the confederate pension tax.

The situation became clearer after Thursday's scheduled meeting of the house committee on revenue and taxation. Chairman Joe Ed Winfree of Houston has ordered all tax bills presented at that time.

Bills with other revenue phases in a wide range. Some are outright tax bills; others are privilege bills with the tax charged for the privilege.

Biggest return would come probably from a bill to tax the processing of crude oil. Now there is a tax on oil production and a smaller per barrel tax on oil to pay the costs of regulation.

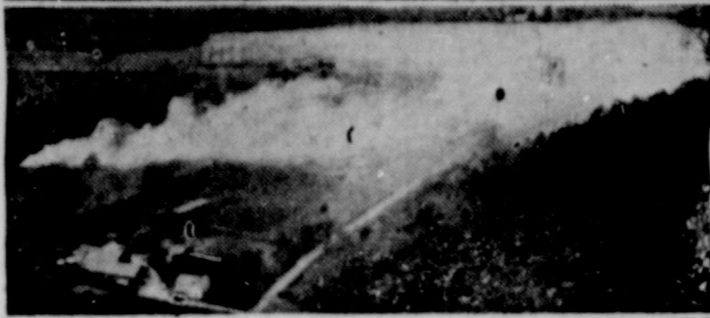
The principal processed oil product is gasoline. There is a state gasoline tax of four cents a gallon but it is a sales tax paid by the motorist when he buys the gasoline at the filling station.

Advocates of the processing tax say that the sales tax hits about 15 per cent of the gasoline which is sold at retail in Texas. They estimate 85 per cent is sent out of the state tax free.

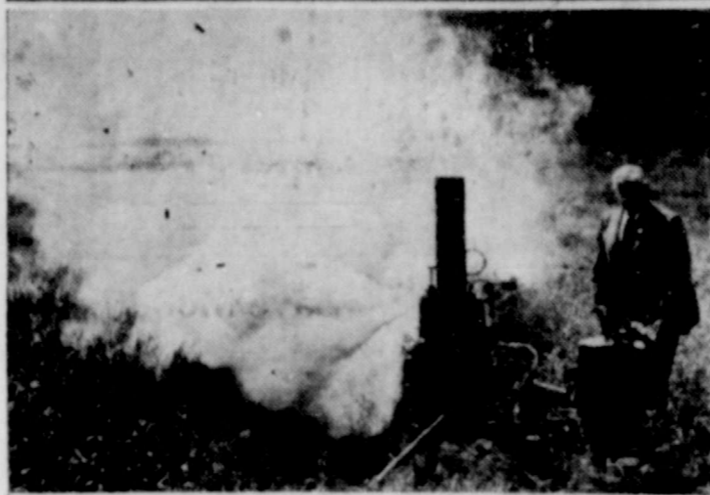
Previous attempts to create such a tax have gone down before arguments that it will result in crude oil being shipped out of the state for refining elsewhere and ruin the refining industry within the state.

Fantastic claims are made for what the tax would do to state

Smoke for War Camouflage



Smoke in an upstate New York valley produced in a few minutes by a small model of the new smoke generator.



Dr. Irving Langmuir of the General Electric Research Laboratory and Nobel prize winner pictured with a new mechanical smoke generator which he and Vincent J. Schafer of the laboratory developed through the National Defense Research Council, for the Chemical Warfare Service in the Army. By utilizing liquid material more efficiently than in the past it produces for camouflage purposes clouds of smoke so dense and persistent that areas may be covered economically for long periods of time. One advantage of smoke produced by the method is its similarity to natural clouds and fog.

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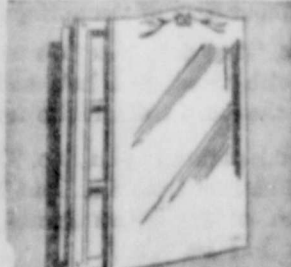
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