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## Powerful Battle Fleet Blasts Nauru

### U. S. PLANES STRIKE MAKIN AS TROOPS LAND



UNDER A CURTAIN of American fighter planes, the first wave of troops to attack Makin Island in the Gilberts heads toward the beach for a landing. The fliers strafed enemy positions and troops as the Yanks hit the shore. To give them longer flying range, the planes are equipped with belly fuel tanks. Three days after this photo was taken the island was securely in U. S. hands. Marine Corps photo. (International)

### AFTER THE SMOKE OF BATTLE CLEARED AWAY



THE BODIES of an American Marine and a Jap sprawl in death in a clearing on the sands of Tarawa just after the bloody battle for the Pacific atoll had come to its conclusion. The Yank fighter was buried at sea as soon as the base was wrested from the Japs. This is an official U. S. Marine Corps photo. (International)

### JAPS COMMIT HARA-KIRI TO THWART CAPTURE



RATHER THAN SURRENDER to American Marines these Japs, two among many, committed suicide on Tarawa. They strapped their rifles to their feet and pulled the trigger with their toes. Note the dead Nipponese on the bunk with his big toe still resting on the trigger. Official U. S. Marine Corps photo. (International)

### REDS GAINING ON GERMANS IN RIVER BEND

LONDON, Dec. 10.—(UP)— Russian troops tightening their lines around the Germans in the Dnieper Bend, Thursday, drove to within eighteen miles of the industrial city of Kirovograd.

West of Kiev in the Chernyakhov sector where one of the biggest tank battles of the war was raging, the Russians repulsed large-scale German tank and infantry counterattacks, Moscow announced in its communique.

Moscow dispatches said more than 5,000 Germans had been killed and 200 enemy tanks destroyed by Soviet gunners during the last three days in that explosive area where Axis forces are trying to achieve a major breakthrough toward Kiev on the middle Dnieper.

The Germans were reported pouring into battle their tank and infantry reserves drawn from Germany, the Netherlands, Poland and even Italy, spending them lavishly in a supreme effort to regain a part of their lost Dnieper line and relieve enormous Soviet pressure on the Axis fronts in White Russia to the north and in the Dnieper bend to the south east.

The communique announced the capture of fifteen localities in the Dnieper bend push toward Kirovograd, including Mederovo, eight cen miles to the east. Mederovo on the already cut Znamenska-Nikolaev railway, represented a five-mile sweep from Sharovka.

The seizure of Mederovo narrowed to twenty miles the Nazi escape corridor from Znamenska to Kirovograd. Soviet troops already are only four or five miles from cutting a railway linking the two strongholds—the last out of Znamenska—after sweeping around Znamenska on the northwest Wednesday to take Elisvetgradka, 20 miles due north of Kirovograd.

Completion of this loop probably would trap huge enemy forces, and have repercussions throughout the Dnieper bend. The Russians already are dangerously close to linking their forces in the area with those in the Smela sector, fifty miles northwest of Znamenska. Smela is another German-held rail junction controlling the routes to the Rumanian frontier.

### Fire Chief Urges Caution As To Fire Hazards

Chief George Murphy today issued a warning to the people of Ranger with reference to the fire hazards that exist from faulty fuses which will be in use now that winter is here. Chief Murphy stated that it is to the interest of every home owner or renter to have fuses checked to see that they are in proper condition. He stated that the fire department would be glad to assist in checking fuses where owners are uncertain.

The chief also warned about carelessness in arranging Christmas decorations, particularly urging the people to avoid the use of candles on trees and to use with all safeguard, candles in any lighting.

"If cotton is used in Christmas decorations be sure that it is treated to resist fire," he said "and under no circumstances place it where it will be directly exposed to flames."

### Fewer Peanuts Bring More Money

SAN SABA, Tex. (UP)—Fewer peanuts will bring more money to growers in San Saba county this year.

According to W. T. Vogel, local buyer for the Peanut Growers' Association, the peanut yield is only 76 per cent of last year, but it will bring growers some 25 per cent more money.

### U-Boat Sinkings Cut Sharply By Allies In 1943

By Milton Magruder  
United Press Staff Correspondent  
WASHINGTON, (UP)— Axis submarines have taken a staggering toll of Allied shipping during the two years since Pearl Harbor, but the United Nations turned the tide in the battle of the Atlantic during the last six months, and now are clearing the lanes for the coming invasion of western Europe.

An unofficial United Press compilation showed, as of Nov. 15, that 768 Allied and neutral merchantmen totaling approximately 8,000,000 tons have gone down in Atlantic water under the guns and torpedoes of enemy raiders and the bombs of enemy planes.

But the Allies now are destroying subs faster than Germany can build them and American shipyards, in two years of unprecedented building, have turned out almost three times the number of vessels lost in the relentless waters.

The recent effectiveness of anti submarine measures is reflected in recent joint Anglo-American announcement on operations they disclose that 150 U-boats were destroyed during the six month period from May to October—a monthly average of 25 subs, or 10 more than naval experts are capable of turning them out.

During the corresponding period, only 34 merchantmen were sunk, according to the unofficial figures. Of these, 11 were sunk in the heavily-traveled North Atlantic convoy route while 14 more went down in the South Atlantic.

A comparison of 1942 and 1943 losses also gives statistical proof of the success of Allied measures. Losses in 1942 were 670, while only 98 have gone down in the first 10 months of this year. The sinkings reached their peak in May, 1942, when 113 ships were destroyed—more than all sinkings thus far this year.

Maritime Commission officials said the United States entered the war with 1,200 vessels grossing 12,000,000 deadweight tons, and has doubled that amount during the past two years.

In 1942, 746 ships totaling 8,089,732 tons—almost matching the over all Atlantic losses—came down the ways. Another 1,324 ships of 15,501,624 tons were built during the first 10 months of this year and officials predict the shipyards probably will surpass the year's quota of 18,890,000 tons.

The losses in Atlantic waters, comprising the North and South Atlantic, the Caribbean and the Gulf of Mexico, include 304 American ships. Some 4,000 U. S. seamen have been lost in the attacks.

Another 51 vessels have been lost in the Pacific, Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean.

The Allied High Command has warned, however, that the battle of the Atlantic is not over.

"The Germans have introduced new U-boat weapons and tactics. Thus far we have been able to cope successfully with the changing situation. The battle continues in full vigor."

### Battalion Objects To Designation

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Governor Coke R. Stevenson's recent designation of the 99th naval construction battalion as the "Lone Star Battalion" has caused quite a stir on Island X, somewhere in the Pacific.

News of the designation of this title to another group of seabees reached the 39th naval construction battalion, who believe they have a prior claim to the title, through a clipping from a Los Angeles paper.

"This has caused a hell of a hullabaloo in our battalion," writes Louis C. Hansman, Jr., of the 39th, from their island in the Pacific.

According to Hansman, the 39th has been known as the "Lone Star Battalion" since its boot days over a year ago. He also said that 40 per cent of the men in the 39th are "red-blooded Texans" whereas the 99th can boast of only 20 per cent.

### GERMANS HARD PRESSED BY CLARK'S FIFTH

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in Algiers, Dec. 10. (UP)—Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army pressed forward against the outer wall of the German defenses before Rome, Thursday and had driven the Nazis from the crests of a strategic chain of mountains toward the Garigliano River.

On the Adriatic end of the Italian front the Nazis waged an equally desperate battle to hold the key gateway to the important port of Pescara and the inland city of Chieti, throwing squadrons of tanks into a particularly heavy battle raging around the town of Orsogna, ten miles from the sea.

An Allied communique referred cautiously to several inconclusive counterattacks launched by the enemy against the Fifth Army but there was no official indication whether they cost Clark's forces any of the ground they won in the last week's hard fighting.

British troops stormed and took a ridge of Mount Croce two and one-half miles southwest of the summit of Mount Camino and only a mile from the Garigliano. Mount Croce's 3,000-foot summit was seized a month ago at the same time the Fifth Army smashed enemy defenses on Maccio Ridge near the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Clark's warriors, pushing down the western slopes of Mount Maggiore and Mount Camino toward the flatlands leading to the major German stronghold of Cassino, wiped out all by-passed enemy pockets except on the northwestern tip of the Maggiore incline and in the small village of Rocca Davandro, nestled against Camino.

Units of Premier Marshal Pietro Badoglio's Italian army were declared in German broadcasts to have moved into action alongside United States forces on the American sector of the Fifth Army front. This was not confirmed by Allied quarters and field dispatches previously and indicated the Italian forces would be used largely in tasks of occupation behind the lines.

### J. G. Kim Dies Here; Funeral To Be Saturday

Jasper Green Kim tied at his home here today after an illness of several weeks. Funeral arrangements were not complete but the funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Church of Christ.

Rev. Wesley Mickey will be in charge of the services and Morris Funeral Home will be in charge of arrangements.

### THE WEATHER

WEST TEXAS—Rain east and south. Rain with snow northwest. Colder. Much colder interior this afternoon. Rain east and south portions. Snow furries northwest. Colder. Much colder east and south portions tonight with temperatures 24 to 28 degrees in the northwest portion. Near to slightly below freezing northeast and west central portions tonight. Saturday cloudy, occasional rain and colder extreme south portion. Continued cold elsewhere. Fresh occasionally strong winds.

### Captain In Navy And Family Are Guests In Ranger

Ranger was host briefly today to one of the United States Navy's ranking officers, but, naturally his destination was a naval secret.

The officer, Capt. J. P. Veeter, Mrs. Veeter and two daughters stopped at a local cafe for lunch while traveling across country from one station to another. Both the captain and his wife graciously expressed their pleasure in the short stay here.

SOIL MEN TO MEET  
Plans have been completed for the third annual State-wide meeting of soil conservation district supervisors which will be held at Cisco Tuesday and Wednesday, December 14 and 15. The meeting will be at the Laguna Hotel.

Shopping  
12 Days Till  
CHRISTMAS

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### Herbert Tanner Is Speaker At Lions Luncheon

B. E. Garner was in charge of the Lions Club program following the luncheon held Thursday at noon at the Gholson Hotel, and presented as the guest speaker Herbert Tanner of Eastland.

Tanner who is Eastland County chairman for the Red Cross Home Service work told of the many service men and their families who are assisted by the department and of the interesting cases which come to the workers attention. Tanner stated that requests for aid from the Home Service chairman run daily anywhere from five to 19 and that each case is given instant attention. Tanner also paid high tribute to the doctors of the county who are repeatedly called upon to assist in the work.

Any servicemen crisis dependents is entitled to call upon this department of the Red Cross for anything from financial aid to assistance in cases of illness.

In the absence of the president Dr. Ross Hodges, Joe Dennis, first vice-president, presided at the meeting and introduced as guests Dr. G. C. Boswell, Pleas E. Moore, Aubrey Van Hoy of Eastland and Mrs. John Ducker.

### Austin's Tower Lights Interest English Engineer

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—News of Austin's glowing tower lights has spread throughout England because of a British engineer.

Acting City Manager Walter E. Seibold received the following letter from H. O. Davies, secretary of the Association of Public Lighting in London:

"You no doubt recall that you handed my son an article relating to the street lighting of your city and which I published in the official organ of the association, 'Public Lighting.'

"The question of your high mounting columns (tower lights) has attracted a considerable amount of attention and was referred to by more than one speaker at a recent conference held in this city.

"I have promised, if possible, the letter continued, 'to include in a later issue of 'Public Lighting' photographs of one of these columns and to give any other information that is available. I shall therefore esteem it a favour if you could let me have such a picture which would give a good idea of the placing of the column in its relations to the surrounding buildings, etc., and any other illustration or details relating to the lighting equipment.' The engineer concluded.

Seibold said he didn't recall giving the letter to the engineer's son.

### Late Bulletins

TIER. (UP)—Pope Pius XII will broadcast a peace plea to the world on Christmas eve, an official Vatican announcement said today.

CHUNGKING. (UP)—Representatives of the French Committee of Liberation today promised a new and "more liberal" political status for Indo-China after the war and pledged anew France's determination to fight with the United Nations against Japan until victory is won.

LONDON. (UP)—The London Daily Mail said today that President Roosevelt "possibly will but probably not" visit London on his way home from North Africa.

Red Army More Mobile  
NEW YORK. (UP)—Brig. Gen. Horace Sewell, British war commentator, believes the Soviet Army's greatest advantage over the Germans is in mobility. As winter closes in, he says, the danger to Nazi columns of encirclement and defeat will greatly increase, and in the north of the long Russian front the Germans will have to retreat more than 200 miles from the positions which they now hold before they can shorten their lines.

### Late Bulletin

STOCKHOLM.—(UP)—A Swedish report from Bucharest said today that British planes pruned leaflets over the city Sunday, warning residents of the Rumanian capital to leave because heavy raids were imminent. Many families were reported to be leaving.

### Christmas Cards To Bear Warning

DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—The Dallas Fire Prevention Council and the fire department will send unusual Christmas greeting cards to 80,000 homes this year.

The cards will bear a warning at the five top fire hazards—smoking, defects in heating and electrical equipment, Christmas decorations, and overcrowding because of the housing shortage.

Alfonse Johnson, secretary of the Dallas Fire Prevention Council, said that Dallas must hold its December fire losses to almost nothing in order to avoid paying a five per cent penalty on its fire premiums. This would amount to about \$75,000 a year.

### History Of Irish Wake Is Given

DALLAS, Tex. (UP)—The "why" of the Irish wake has been revealed by Colby E. Smith, Jr., who addressed a meeting of funeral directors of the North Texas region in Dallas.

Smith says the wake was established to make certain a man was dead before he was buried.

"Until modern medical instruments were developed, some persons undoubtedly were buried alive," Smith said. "The Irish wake developed from friends sitting up to watch the body."

"If the person didn't move for a given length of time," Smith continued, "he was considered dead. Since he was considered possibly to be alive until the wake was over, it was not a serious affair."

### Miss Hearn Named Assistant H. D. Agent

Miss Loma Faye Hearn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hearn of Eastland Route No. 2, has been appointed by the A. & M. College Extension Service as Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent for Eastland County, succeeding Miss Helen Childress recently made County Home Demonstration Agent for Mills County.

Miss Hearn is Home Economics teacher in Eastland schools and will resign to take up her new duties on December 20th.

St. Petersburg, Fla. (UP)—Col. Edward Timberlake of St. Petersburg has three sons who outrank him. All are brigadier generals—Patrick, Edward J. and E. W. Timberlake.



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Inside WASHINGTON

OWI late Over Handling Step Up of War on Japs  
Of Gen. Patton Incident May Swamp Coast Cities

Special to Central Press

WASHINGTON—OWI officials are incensed over the public relations job on the so-called "Patton incident"—the war department's withholding of the news for over three months.

As a result OWI officials believe, the case was "played" by the press out of its true proportions and a tremendous furor raised. OWI says it was not apprised of the incident until the public in general heard the story over the radio.

OWI officials believe the public got a wrong impression as a result of the way the story "leaked" out and one representative of the agency expressed belief that Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower had gotten some bad public relations advice.

Incidentally, one of the best remarks in Washington came from a reporter following Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson's press conference in which he announced that he would ask for a full explanation of the incident from Eisenhower.

Reporters were gathered in the news room following the conference discussing the ramifications of the incident in which Patton had slapped a shell-shocked soldier in a Sicilian field hospital. One of the newsmen remarked:

"Everybody in Washington is eating turkey today and the war department is eating crow."

Stimson admitted to reporters that the war department had been informed "generally" about the slapping, but had taken no action thereon.

ALREADY CROWDED WEST COAST CITIES are going to be busier than ever from now on as the Pacific campaign to crush the Japs gains momentum. The Navy is trying to prepare for the situation by transferring some construction work on warships and other craft to the Atlantic coast, but this will be only a drop in the bucket.

As the months go by, civilians will find it more and more difficult to get accommodations on trains and planes heading for California. Personnel of the armed forces, of course, will have priority. The west coast will then get a taste of what the east has been going through since the opening of the North African campaign.

What makes the situation worse is the fact that the west coast does not have the port facilities available to the Atlantic coast. That means that the good ports out west can expect jams unequalled to date anywhere else.

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE MILITARY AFFAIRS aviation subcommittee returned from their two-week aerial inspection tour of South American air bases much impressed by what they had seen. But pending an official committee report, they were not talking for publication.

The congressmen went as far south as Rio De Janeiro looking over air transport command bases, including the "jump-off" aerial port at Natal.

"The best thing about the trip," said one, "was the fact that we did not get along so well together during two weeks of traveling in the same plane. There was no grumbling or griping—even about having to roll out at 5 a. m. some mornings."

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR HAROLD ICKES, who earned the wrath of the War Labor Board for signing a contract with the United Mine Workers while the miners were on strike, also has the OPA angry for the easy manner in which he promised price increases to the operators.

"The thing that happened is just what you could expect when you turn price control over to a guy who is interested only in production," one high OPA official snorted.

Ickes, interested only in mining coal, provided the miners with \$1.50 a day more pay and then started battling for a steep coal price increase to compensate the operators.

OPA balked and trimmed Ickes' price boost suggestion more than 16 cents a ton. The agency also knocked down Ickes' glowing predictions of the increase in production that would result from the new contract.

Ickes figured on a 14 per cent boost in output with the miners working 15 minutes of their lunch time. OPA is still laughing.

"The miners don't have a regular lunch period," an OPA official said. "They eat off and on all during the day."

RED BASES FOR NEW AIR SQUEEZE?



USE OF RUSSIAN air bases by the U. S. and Britain to complete a three-way air squeeze on Germany from the east, west and south is believed by informed quarters to be one of the first agreements reached by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin at their historic conferences. While Italy and England are closer to many important Nazi targets than Russian-based fields, it is the plan to move closer and closer to Germany as the Red armies sweep from the east. Shuttle bombing from Britain is considered advantageous to U. S. daylight bombers. (International)

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**United States Fleet Doubled Since War Began**

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Two years ago today Japanese bombs incinerated the backbone of the U. S. fleet. They put out of action eight of the 17 battleships then in the fleet. All told, 19 naval vessels were hit that day in Pearl Harbor.

Today, despite its war losses, the United States has the mightiest surface fleet in world history. The Navy now has well over 800 fighting ships after all losses, transfers to other nations and conversions to non-combat types. This is more than double the pre-Pearl Harbor fleet.

The fleet now has at least 21 battleships, including six 35,000-tonners and two 45,000-tonners. The older craft have been modernized and are far more potent fighting ships than they were two years ago.

Four of the seven aircraft carriers with which the United States entered the war were sunk in the first year of combat. Now the fleet has at least 20 combat carriers and a large number of escort carriers built on merchant ship hulls.

Of the original cruiser force of 37 ships, nine were lost in the Pacific. But these losses have been more than replaced by new construction. In the last two years the navy has launched 17 cruisers including the 26,500-ton super cruiser Alaska, four 13,000-tonners, and two 6,000-tonners.

The number of destroyers built has not been disclosed, but it undoubtedly is as large as the original destroyer force of 171

ships. Submarine production too, has been satisfactory.

Large numbers of destroyer escorts and frigates, vital anti-submarine vessels, have been built.

Three years ago, when the defense program began, the Navy had a fleet of 1,070 combat and non-combat vessels. During the intervening three years, despite its losses, the Navy now has well in excess of 14,000 craft.

In the air too, the Navy has made amazing strides.

On July 1, 1940, the Navy air arm consisted of 1,744 planes of which 1,197 were fighters and bombers. Many of these were obsolete. Today the number is close to 30,000—and this after writing off for obsolescence and combat losses more than 9,000 planes.

**FDR says:**

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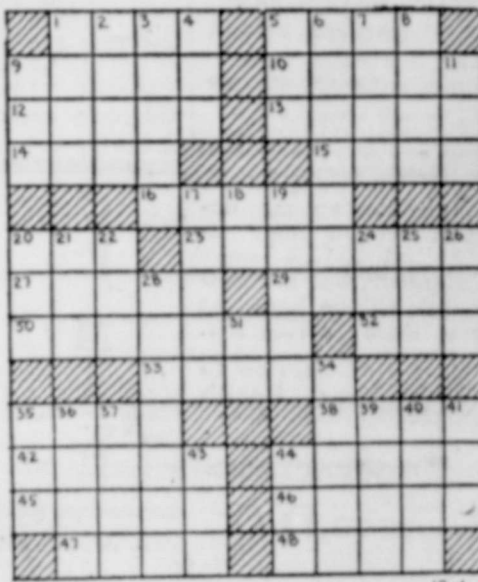
1. Resembling lace  
5. Young dogs  
9. The Scripps  
10. Close to (poet.)  
12. Circuit  
13. Join  
14. Quantity of paper  
15. Quadrant (Print)  
16. Minor river  
20. Variety of lettuce  
23. Pertaining to pottery  
27. Around  
29. Leaf of grass  
30. Distribute  
32. Tiny  
33. Newly married woman  
35. River (Fr.)  
38. Part of a pedestal  
42. Mohammedan deity  
44. Frenzy  
45. Courtyard  
46. Keen  
47. Was carried  
48. Jewels

**DOWN**

1. Citrus fruit  
2. Father (priest's title—Fr.)  
3. Ascend  
4. Still  
5. Knave of clubs  
6. Not equal  
7. So. Am. republic  
8. Medieval story  
9. Obstacle  
11. Color  
17. Performer  
18. You told (form)  
19. Formed into a globe  
20. Bounder  
21. Sash (Jap.)  
22. Distress signal  
24. A stomach  
25. Fish  
26. Letter C  
28. Reprove  
31. River (China)  
34. Draw forth  
35. Weaken  
36. Like a wing  
37. Singing voice  
39. Genus of cuckoo  
40. Specks

**Yesterday's Answer**

41. Coin (Swed.)  
43. Garden tool  
44. Cigarette (slang)



**FACTOGRAPHS**

Franz Schubert was a prolific composer, who turned out music swiftly when the mood was upon him, and forgot it quickly in the enthusiasm of creating fresh works. His first symphony was composed in his 16th year.

Until 1798, when Benjamin Stoddert was appointed first secretary of the Navy, the U. S. Navy was administered by the war department.

The U. S. S. Constellation and the U. S. S. Constitution, built in 1794, are the oldest American warships still in existence.

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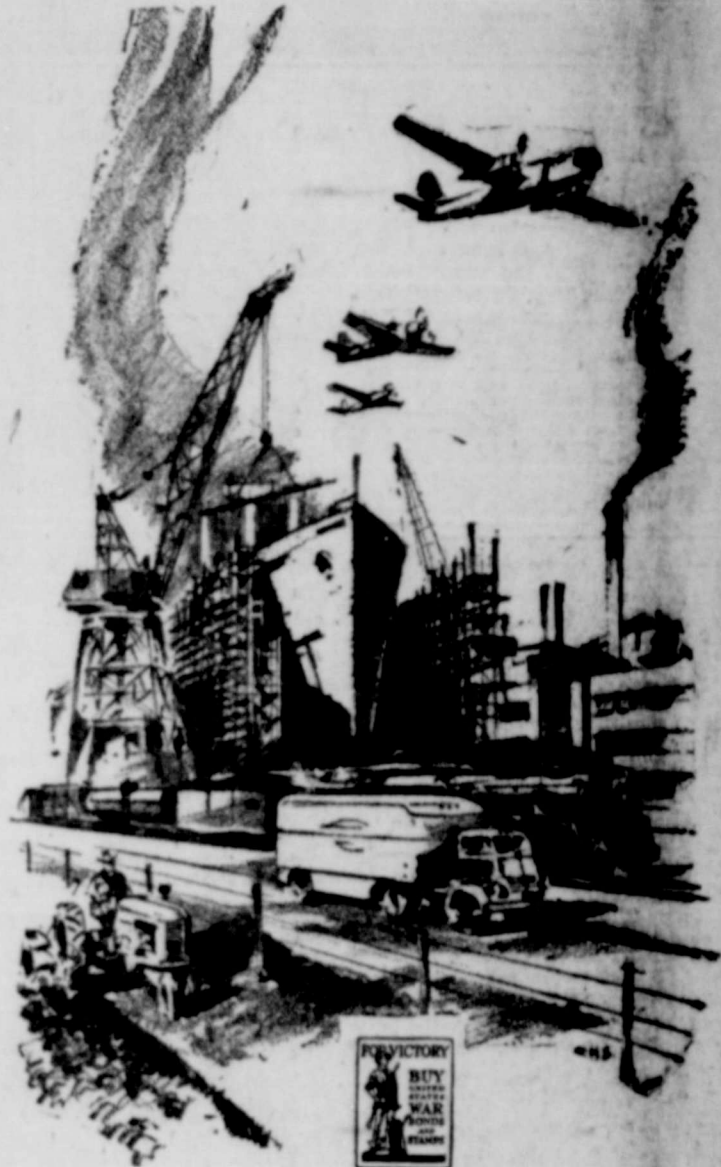
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WILL YOU KIDS BEAT IT?

WE WANTA SEE DOAKES!

AT EASE— ETTA'S IN THERE WE WERE ONLY FIGHTING A DELAYING ACTION, SO SHE COULD PUT THE BEE ON THE OLD BOY, FIRST!

WELL DOAKES— WELL TAKE THAT OLD MOVIE HOUSE

SORRY— JUST LET THAT YOUNG LADY HAVE IT FOR A CANTEN!

THANKS YOU'RE SUPER!

WHAT'LL THEY USE FOR MONEY?

YOU TWO DESERVE MEDALS!

**Little Annie Rooney** -O- -O- -O- -O- **Bradon Walsh**

ISN'T IT WONDERFUL? EVERY DAY WE GO TO SCHOOL IN A DIFFERENT CITY!

I GUESS THIS IS THE NICEST SCHOOL THERE IS! WE'RE TERRIBLE LUCKY KIDS—

WHEN MOST KIDS GROW UP THEY'LL SAY THEY WERE EDUCATED IN MAINE OR TEXAS OR SOME PLACE—

BUT WON'T FOLKS BE SURPRISED WHEN WE TELL 'EM WE WERE EDUCATED ALL OVER AMERICA!



# Feed-Seed XMAS TREES

**A. J. Ratliff**  
PHONE 109

## Society, Clubs

Lewis Gregg, son of Mrs. Saunders Gregg, left Washington, D.C. by plane Wednesday for Accra, Africa. Mr. Gregg will be employed in the export department of the Texas Petroleum Company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morgan of Dallas are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Townsend returned to their home in Dallas today after spending several days here while Mr. Townsend was transacting business.

Mrs. J. J. Kelly was a business visitor in Ft. Worth, Thursday.

First Lt. Beverly Dudley who has been stationed at Corpus

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### His Bag--16



ONE OF THE TOP-RANKING aces in the Pacific war theater, Lieut. Wilbur J. Thomas, 23, of El Dorado, Kan., has 16 enemy planes to his credit in aerial activity as a member of the Hellhaws, Marine fighter squadron. The squadron itself has bagged 102 enemy planes. (International)

Mrs. W. S. Adamson of Eastland visited with friends in Ranger, Thursday.

Mrs. Mollie Cross of Strawn is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Drury, Jr., who were recently married in Beaumont will arrive today for a visit with Mrs. Drury's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gordon, and other relatives and friends. Mrs. Drury is the former Miss June Gordon.

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WANT TO RENT—4 or 5 room unfurnished house, close in. See Joe Dennis, Care Ranger Times.

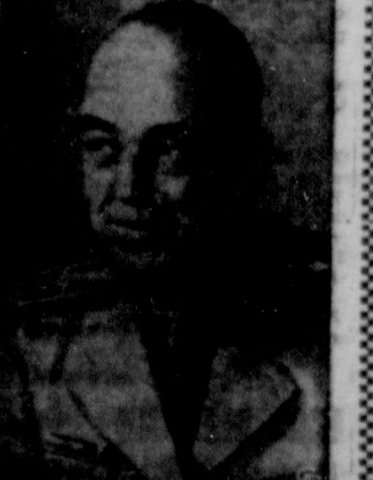
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### Back The Attack Navy Chief



**VICE ADMIRAL T. C. KINCAID**, shown above in this Signal Corps photo, is the new naval commander in the southwest Pacific area. Kincaid, a native of Danvers, N. H., was in command of Allied operations in the Aleutians when Kiska was recaptured. He succeeds Vice Admiral Carmon.

### PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Russell of Monahans are here for a visit with friends. Mr. and Mrs. Russell formerly made their home here.

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