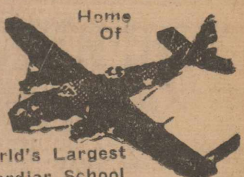




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BRITISH LUNGE AT MARETH LINE

Food Chief Plans Large Land Army

WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt said Friday that his new food administrator, Chester C. Davis, operating virtually an autonomous agency, would take up immediately the question of forming a land army to help turn out the nation's food supply.

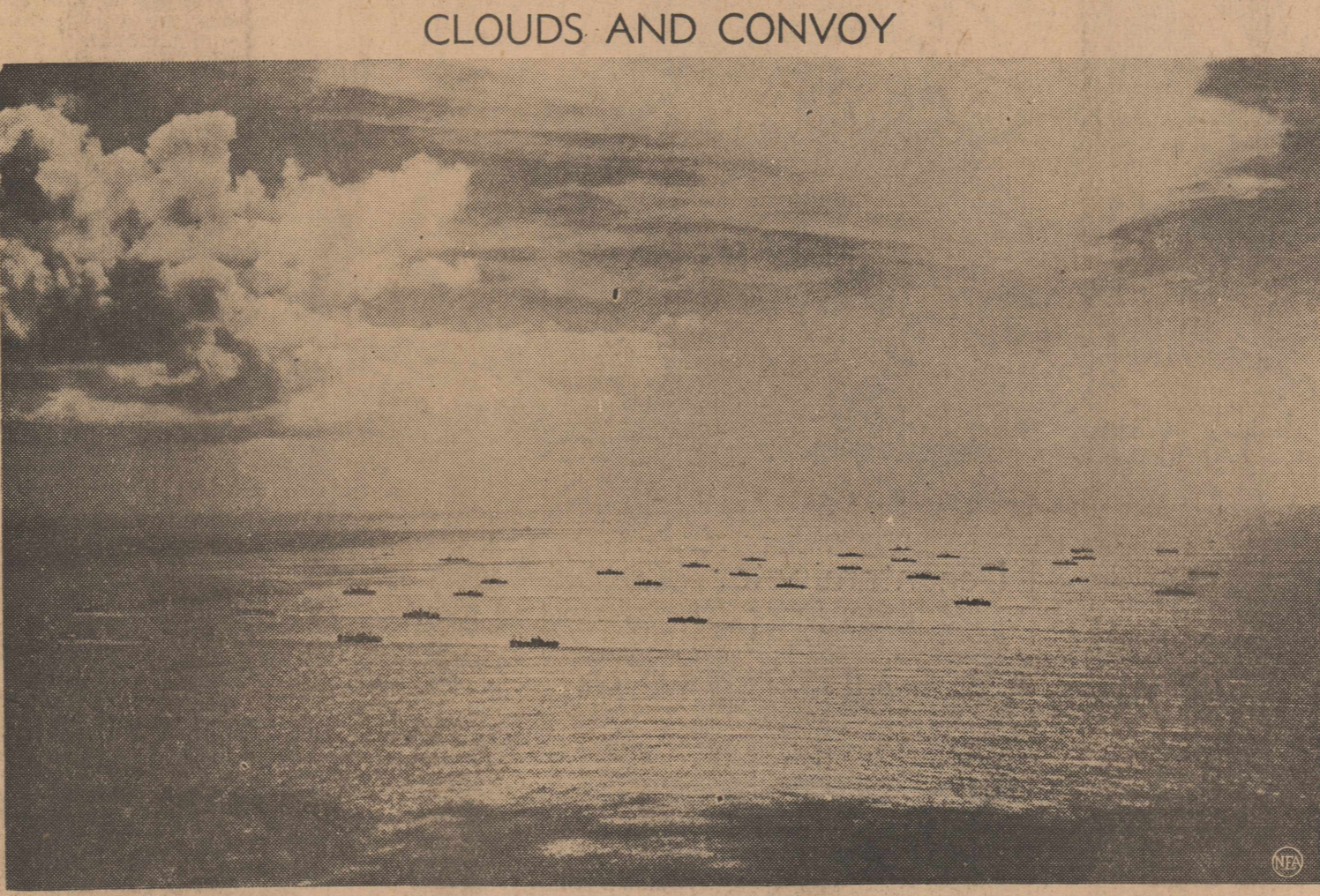
Labor Costs Bill Rejected

WASHINGTON—(AP)—A bipartisan Senate coalition smashed through farm bloc lines Friday and by a voice vote sent back to the agriculture committee a House-approved bill to include all farm labor costs in parity price ceilings.

Eden Talk Friday Is Eagerly Awaited
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Anthony Eden's scheduled address at Annapolis Friday night was awaited with keen interest by Washington diplomatic observers seeking to evaluate the results of the British Foreign Secretary's fortnight of war and postwar conferences in this country.

War Bulletins
WASHINGTON—(AP)—Army bombers raided the Japanese base at Kiska in the Aleutian Islands four times Wednesday, scoring hits in the target area, the Navy reported Friday.

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MOSCOW—(AP)—Before mounting German resistance, the Red Army steadily pressed on in one sector of the western front Friday and halted to consolidate its positions in another, but the general pressure toward Smolensk was unslackened.



Across a sun swept sea 35 ships of a United Nations convoy carry war aid to an allied battle front.

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Moore Brothers Crockett County Test In Simpson
By Frank Gardner, Oil Editor
John I. Moore and P. D. Moore, both of Midland, No. 1 Amerada-J. S. Todd estate et al. Western Crockett County wildcat three miles east of the shallow Lime Oak pool, was disclosed Friday to have entered the Simpson, middle Ordovician.

Report Discussed By Midland Geologists
Seventy members of the Midland Geological Society attended a special luncheon meeting Thursday in the Cactus Cafe. The meeting was called by John M. Hills, president, to give members the opportunity of discussing a report of the Midland A. A. P. G. committee on the prospects of finding West Texas crude to meet war needs.

Rationing Of Soap Not Contemplated
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration asserted Thursday night it plans no rationing of soap and contemplates no order which would freeze sales of soap.

Clouds and Convoy



Official U. S. Navy Photo from NEA

New Point Values To Be Announced Sunday

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Sunday morning newspapers will tell American housewives of new point values for processed fruits and vegetables, and the best guess is that coupon costs will be substantially lower.

Crisis Imminent In Vichy Regime

MADRID—(AP)—The Spanish press said Friday that a crisis in the government of Pierre Laval was considered imminent in Vichy political circles and dispatches indicated that the resignation of 14 members of the Vichy diplomatic and consular services in Spain had contributed to the growing tension.

Mystery Surrounds Shooting At Alpine

ALPINE—(AP)—Mystery still surrounds the robbery and fatal shooting of A. F. Robinson, former Alpine Chamber of Commerce manager, at his home here Wednesday night.

Lull In Pacific Indicates American Commanders Are Preparing For Powerful New Blows Against Japanese

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The current lull in Pacific fighting, broken only by air attacks against Japanese outposts in the Solomon and Aleutian Islands, was regarded in informed quarters Friday as indicating that American commanders have been strengthening and dispersing their forces for powerful new blows against the enemy.

Eighth Army Is Moving Forward

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—Battering down fierce enemy resistance, Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery's infantrymen have won new ground in the Mareth sector of the Southern Tunisian front, it was announced Friday.

Jap Bases In Burma Fired

NEW DELHI—(AP)—Heavy American aerial blows in two days raiding against the Japanese in Burma were announced Friday in a communique of the 10th U. S. Air Force, including "a highly successful operation" against the key airfield at Meiktila.

Russia Renews Jap Fishing Rights Pact
LONDON—(AP)—Russia and Japan have agreed on a renewal of the pact under which Japan is given fishing privileges in certain Soviet far eastern waters, the Moscow radio reported Thursday night.

Odessa Killed In Drilling Accident

FORT STOCKTON—(AP)—Walter J. Wooten, 23, who moved here a month ago from Odessa, was crushed to death Thursday night in an oil drilling accident.

Judge Ben Lindsey Dies In California

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—Superior Judge Ben B. Lindsey, long a prominent California and Colorado jurist, died at 9:30 a.m. (GWT) Friday at Good Samaritan Hospital.

MILLIONAIRE DIES

LONDON—(AP)—Sir Max Julius Bonn, 65, millionaire director of the Bank of London and South America, died in London Thursday.

WEATHER
WEST TEXAS: Little temperature change.

