

Big Concentrations Of Allied Forces In Mediterranean Sector Worry Axis

American Fliers Continue Pounding Of Italian Bases

Waterfront At Naples Blasted In Heavy Attack

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA (AP) — United States aircraft flew from Mediterranean bases to bomb Italian airbases at Comiso and Biscari by daylight Thursday after a night attack by Wellingtons of the Northwest African Air Force on the Naples docks, it was announced Friday.

(Nearly 50 Liberators, protected by Malta-based Spitfires during the attacks, dropped 125 tons of explosives on the two airbases, a Cairo dispatch said. The British fighters destroyed a Macchi-202. Large columns of black smoke arose as the raiders headed home.)

Workshops, dispersal areas, a hangar and the runway of the Comiso field were covered by explosive bursts, a Cairo communique said. At Biscari, which lies a few miles from Comiso near the southeastern corner of the invasion-threatened island, attacks were concentrated on the northeast and northwest corners of the airbase.

Axis Vessels Damaged

Cannon and machine-gun fire from RAF long-range fighters was reported to have damaged an Axis sailing vessel in the Aegean.

The RAF Wellingtons dropped several two-ton bombs along the Naples waterfront and showered other explosives on the docks and railway yards of the Italian supply port before dawn Thursday.

Official sources gave no information on the results of the Naples raid, but said one bomber fired 200 rounds in driving off an enemy night fighter. Heavy explosives had just been dropped on the Naples docks and industrial area by Wellington squadrons the night of June 1.

Planes Lost

RAF coastal air force Beaufighter (Continued on Page 2)

Japs Have Version Of Zoot Suit Riots

NEW YORK (AP)—Japanese propagandists have their own explanation for recent American "zoot suit" incidents. In a Tokyo broadcast reported Friday to the Office of War Information, a Japanese commentator declared: "The American zoot-suiters are isolationists and anti-war fighters. They are strong, courageous young men who have banded together into a nationwide army to express by physical force their disapproval of the war."

Chinese Surround Enemy Stronghold

By The Associated Press

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's victorious armies were credited Friday with killing or wounding 40,000 out of 100,000 Japanese troops in a 40-day battle on the Upper Yangtze River front, and dispatches said the Chinese had now surrounded the Japanese stronghold at Owchikow. Owchikow is one of the last important Japanese-held bases west of Yochow and south of the Yangtze.

A Chinese army spokesman said "less than two thirds of the entire Japanese force managed to escape from the Chinese trap" in the recent campaign in the Yangtze Valley, in which Gen. Chiang's forces recovered virtually the entire rice bowl region of Hunan Province.

Jap Drive Halted

The spokesman said other Chinese forces were halting a new Japanese offensive at China's back door in Yunan Province, adjoining the Burma frontier.

Hard-pressed for good news, imperial Tokyo headquarters tried to pass off Wednesday's great air battle over Guadalcanal as a Japanese victory, asserting that Japanese planes shot down at least 32 Allied aircraft and sank eight Allied ships including a destroyer.

The Tokyo command acknowledged the loss of 29 Japanese planes.

By contrast, an American spokesman said the attacking Japanese air fleet of perhaps 120 planes inflicted damage on only two small freight ships, while U. S. fliers shot down a record total of 77 Japanese planes with a loss of only six.

Altogether, a total of 1,414 Japanese planes have been shot down in the South Pacific since July 31, 1942, including 146 this month so far.

Jap Barges Sunk

Dispatches from a South Pacific base said the Japanese attack on Guadalcanal—the greatest raiding force ever sent against the American-occupied island—was apparently an attempt to cripple the base to forestall an Allied thrust to the north.

Activity in the islands above Australia centered in New Guinea, where Gen. Douglas MacArthur's bombers sank or damaged 20 Japanese barges in moonlight raids along the Japanese-occupied Huon Peninsula Thursday night.

Forty Japanese planes attacked Allied forces for the third straight day in the area 90 miles northwest of Lae, New Guinea, where Gen. MacArthur's vanguards have established positions flanking both the enemy bases at Lae and Salamaua.

Restrictions On Bikes For Delivery Dropped

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Office of Price Administration Friday released from rationing restrictions bicycles made specially for package delivery service and unsuitable for other uses. Most bicycles of this kind have a small front wheel and large basket.

PAW To Suggest Increased Texas Crude Production

AUSTIN (AP)—Everette Degolyer, official of the Petroleum Administration for War, told the Texas Railroad Commission at a statewide hearing Friday that the PAW would recommend production of 1,727,000 barrels of crudes, distillates and condensates daily for Texas in July, and 23 producing days for the East Texas field.

The recommendation is an increase of 125,000 barrels daily over June certification.

Commission Chairman Beauford Jester told operators that a PAW directive had not been received but that Degolyer could tell them the "magic" figure.

"And we want it all sweet (crudes)," Degolyer added to his statement.

The commission heard purchaser nominations for 23 producing days as compared with 20 currently in district 6 outside the East Texas field, and 24 producing days compared with 23 in the Panhandle district.

Eight Men Killed In Crash Near Laredo

LAREDO (AP)—Two officers and six enlisted men were killed in the crash of a medium bomber two miles north of the Laredo Army Air Field late Thursday, the public relations office announced.



Most invaded of any part of Europe has been the Balkan Peninsula. Romans, Persians, Goths and Ottomans fought here, and it was through Greece that the Allies made their only successful invasion of World War I. The map shows the extensive attacks made by the Ottomans over a period of three centuries, and other sea-borne invasions of Italy and the Balkans.

Record-Breaking Jap Attack Cost 76 American Casualties

WASHINGTON (AP)—The record-breaking 120-plane air assault by the Japanese against Guadalcanal Island Wednesday cost American forces 76 casualties, the Navy announced Friday.

It had been previously disclosed that the Japs lost 77 of their fighters in the massive air attempt and that only six American planes were lost.

Friday's communique said the pilot of one of those planes had been rescued.

Other damage, first reported in dispatches from the South Pacific area, restated in the official war bulletin here were one United States merchant ship and one landing barge hit.

The communique listed personnel casualties as 25 killed, 29 injured and 22 missing, afloat and ashore.

The total report of damage caused in terms of men, planes and ships, apparently was much less than that claimed by Tokyo, the Japanese had broadcast a boast that they had sunk eight ships, including a destroyer, which would have meant a relatively heavy loss of life.

The communique said that on June 16th during the night, Army Liberator heavy bombers attacked Japanese positions on Ballale Island, Shortland Island area. Results were not observed. One United States bomber was missing.

Further details of the air battle over Guadalcanal (previously mentioned in a Navy communique) revealed that the Japanese air forces engaged were estimated to have been 60 bombers, and 60 fighters.

On June 16th, three additional Japanese soldiers were captured in the Kheblinikof area, Attu Island. The total number of enemy captured is 24, the communique concluded.

Coal Dispute Decision Due

WASHINGTON (AP)—A War Labor Board decision throwing the portal-to-portal pay issue into litigation and thereby precipitating a new crisis in the soft coal wage dispute is forecast Friday by informed sources.

Barring a last minute hitch, these sources which would not permit identification, said the probability is an 8 to 4 WLB vote with the labor members dissenting.

Such a decision, it was said, would be made without prejudice to the rights of members of the United Mine Workers to bring lawsuits under the fair labor standards act to recover travel-time pay, as iron ore miners in the south have done.

The board was expected to vote and announce its decision and accompanying opinions late Friday. It is understood that this schedule was adopted so that the labor members may have time to prepare a minority report to be announced simultaneously with the majority ruling by the public and the industry members.

BEERLESS BOISE

BOISE, IDAHO (AP)—Governor Botofsen will proclaim a Beerless Boise Day soon because of dwindling supplies of the beverage, his office reports. The Army is helping plan the big event.

Ward Deep Feat

Shel No. 3 Sealy-Smith Foundation, Ellenburger test in the Monahan pool of Northeastern Ward County, 14 miles south by southwest of the No. 1 Blue, is drilling

Nazis Brag About Invasion Defenses

LONDON (AP)—Invasion-conscious Axis broadcasters continued Friday to talk at some length about great concentrations of Allied forces in the Mediterranean area and glibly bragged about their own plans to repel any landing attempts.

The Berlin radio quoted German Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels as writing in Das Reich that Germany looked forward "with imperturbability to the impending storm from the west."

His editorial ordered "our noisy critics" to keep quiet and argued that Germany's early successes gave her the opportunity to expand her war potential in time.

The Berlin radio also said that Goebbels spoke Friday at a mourning service for victims of the raid on Wuppertal.

The radio quoted him as saying the Allied raids were crying out for retaliation and "everything possible was done to bring about this hour soon."

The Rome radio, which previously had said listers of "many landing craft concentrating from African coasts toward Pantelleria," declared in a post-midnight report recorded by Reuters that "large British forces are concentrating along the southern frontier of Turkey."

Frontier Reopened

Allied sources, understandably silent about the next major move, gave no confirmation of this report, which presumably was Italy's interpretation of the closing this week of the Syrian-Turkish border.

Dispatches from Aakara said the frontier was reopened Thursday morning by the British, who for 48 hours had stopped all traffic except Allied diplomatic and military personnel.

The Rome radio reported, however, that a 62-mile stretch in Northern Syria as well as the coastal area of Lebanon had been declared military areas by the British and had been closed to all traffic and to civilians.

Berlin, taking note of a possible Allied lunge from that quarter, reported in a broadcast heard by the Associated Press that Premier Gen. Nuri Pasheas said of Iraq had informed his troops of an approaching "hour of decision and active service."

Goebbels' admonition to Nazi critics to keep their objections to themselves was relayed by the Rome radio in a broadcast recorded by the Ministry of Information.

In one of several Axis pep talks about the inevitability of contention (Continued on Page 2)

Provides 273 Air Units

The funds provided—\$59,037,599/673 in new appropriations and \$12,472,839,200 of previous funds continued available—will, General McNarney told the committee, do this:

Provide a fighting air force of 273 groups and 3,000,000 ground troops, 35,000 bombers, 38,000 fighters, 12,000 transport planes and 9,000 training planes, with spare engines and parts to keep them in action;

Furnish combat divisions with enough ammunition, tanks, small arms, cannon, combat vehicles and other equipment "to enable us to come to grips with and destroy the enemy";

Permit the maintenance of more than 900 airfields, 4,500 army posts, and 700,000 hospital beds, and provide for internment camps for 325,000 war prisoners.

OMUMANSKY IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY (AP)—Constantin Omumansky, first Soviet diplomat in Mexico in 13 years, arrived Thursday with 10 of the 35 persons who will comprise the staff of the new embassy here.

At Least Twelve Men To Be Turned Over To Authorities By Committee Investigating Race Riots At Beaumont

BEAUMONT (AP)—Col. Sidney C. Mason said Friday the military court investigating race rioting here in which two persons were killed and much damage done probably would turn a dozen or more men over to county authorities for filing of arson and assault to murder charges.

Colonel Mason, commanding state troops assigned to enforce martial law, said the court of inquiry which remained in session until 3 a. m. Friday had released about 200 of nearly 300 men who had been rounded up during clashes between negroes and white men after a white woman reported Tuesday she had been raped by a negro.

The state militia commander said four courts of inquiry went into session at 9 a. m. Friday in an effort to expedite questioning of the remaining prisoners, among whom

he said the ringleaders of the rioting were expected to be found. He said he was uncertain what charges might be filed against the leaders but that they would be "appropriate."

Three men were turned over to city authorities and fined \$25 and costs on charges of loitering. Mason said a man arrested while armed with a shotgun would be turned over to federal officials, but that no charges had yet been filed.

The city was practically normal Friday. The Pennsylvania Shipyards, virtually closed down at the height of the rioting due to absence of workers, had nearly a full force white workers, and most negroes were back on the job.

Mason said some of the state troops urgently needed in their businesses were going home, but he gave no figures on the number. Although all apparently was calm,

Colonel Mason said an 11 p. m. curfew would be enforced Friday night. Thursday night the curfew deadline was 9:30 p. m.

Sheriff W. W. Richardson said a check was being continued Friday into validity of the woman's rape report that set off the disturbance. He said Thursday night a doctor's examination showed no evidence of a criminal attack.

Police Chief Ross Dickey Thursday night declared "Anything that takes men away from the shipyards for a cause such as that which slowed down production when hundreds walked off the job this week is sabotage."

He said the police department had not been able to trace the cause to fifth columnists, but added:

"There is somebody behind it, and if I could get my hands on him I would wring his neck."

War Bulletins

MADRID (AP) — Dispatches from La Linea, near Gibraltar, said Friday three United States destroyers joined a British fleet of two airplane carriers, two battleships and 12 destroyers already in Gibraltar's harbor.

LONDON (AP) — Lord Croft, parliamentary undersecretary for the war office, reported Friday that 4,198 Axis planes were destroyed over Great Britain from the start of the war to June 1.

CHUNGKING (AP) — The Central News Agency, which has connections with the Chinese government, asserted Friday that the Japanese massacred more than 10,000 civilians and wounded Chinese soldiers during their occupation of Nansien, on Tungting Lake. It said Chinese troops who recently recaptured the town found it in utter ruins and that the bodies of 5,000 Chinese were hanging from willow trees. Nansien normally had a population of 50,000.

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Food Price Control Problems

The situation on attempts to control food prices at the present moment can best be described as "government by yes and no." Few decisions are made definitely "yes." Few decisions are made definitely "no."

The trouble isn't lack of a principal on which to operate. The principles on which the anti-inflation campaign was to be fought were stated definitely by the President in his Seven-Point Program of April 27, 1942, restated by the Congressional Stabilization Act of October 2, 1942, re-stated in the President's Hold-That-Line order of April 8, 1943.

The trouble has come through failure to execute those noble aims by decisive action. Too much compromise. Too much "yes and no." Three cases may illustrate what is meant:

1. There is a fundamental difference of opinion between Office of Price Administration and War Food Administration on food price control. OPA says "yes," we must have price ceilings at all levels. The WFA idea seems to be "yes" if price ceilings are high enough to encourage production, but "no" if price ceilings are to be applied to the growers.

Justice James E. Byrnes, who held that office till he was promoted to the Office of War Mobilization, won his reputation in OES as a great compromiser. His decisions in OES have been compromises. Judge Fred M. Vinson, who succeeded Byrnes in OES, was also a great compromiser in Congress.

2. If ceilings are to be applied on wholesale and retail food prices but not on growers' prices, the only way in which such economic juggling can be achieved is through payment of subsidies, yet on the subsidy question there is more yessing and noing than on any other phase of price attempted control program.

Authority for subsidies is in the Price Control Act, passed by Congress, yes. The attorney general gave an opinion last August, on a canned tomato juice question, that government subsidies are legal, yes. Subsidies have been a part of the RFC program since 1940, yes. Commodity Credit Corporation is now paying subsidies to food canners, yes.

But Congress on subsidies say "no." Recently it has written in prohibitions against the use of Lend-Lease and CCC funds for subsidies and has before it a bill to prohibit the payment of subsidies on food products without Congressional approval. And War Food Administrator Chester C. Davis has declared that general dependence on a broad subsidy program, to hold prices, would be dangerous. Another "no."

3. Food canners today are losing food, throwing it away, because they can't get labor. The reason they can't get labor is that wages in the canning industry have been frozen at a level so low they can't compete with better paying industries. In some regional War Labor Board offices, approval has been given to pay a higher wage rate, yes.

To pay these added wages, the canners say there must be an up in ceiling prices on their products to pay for the increased labor costs. Approval for such price increases must come from OPA. Yet within OPA there is a "yes and no" battle going on which prevents the making of any decision on this issue.

One group in OPA says "yes," give them price increases to cover their added costs, but no more. The other group says "no," price ceilings must be held at present levels and the inference is that the canners can go jump in one of their kettles and stew in their own juice.

War Food Administration sits on the sidelines in this dispute, feeling rather desperate about the situation, wondering how more food is going to be produced in the heavy canning season coming up if a solution can't be found.

Maybe it is unpatriotic to bring these things up. Maybe this is just the democratic process in action, striving to find the best possible solution. But, it certainly isn't out of order to mention that there's a war on and time's a-wastin'.

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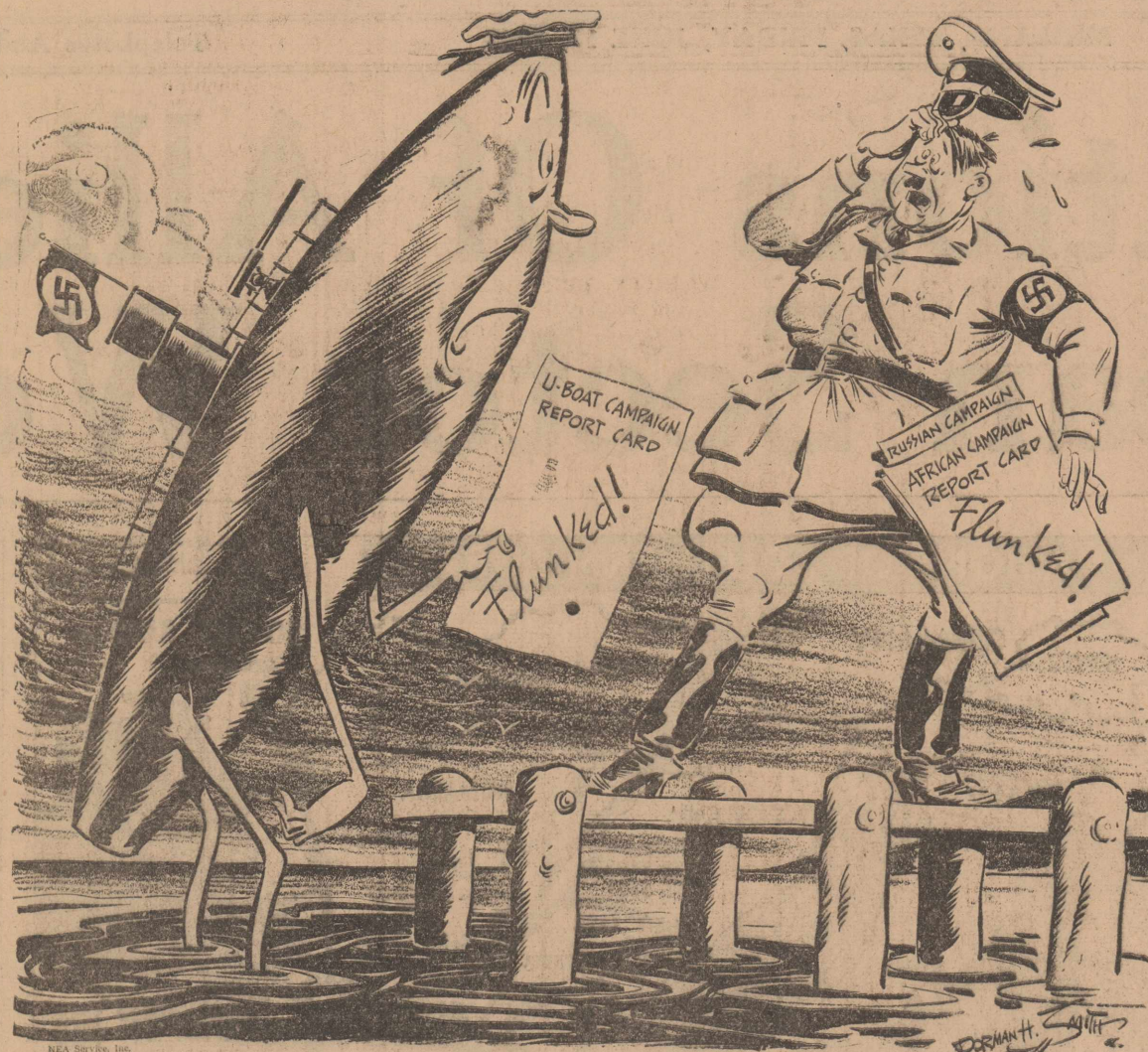
Analysis Of Truck Shortage

The extent to which too little is having to be stretched too far and spread too thin to keep this civilian economy going in wartime is well illustrated in the case of those highly necessary but unlabeled things known as heavy duty motor trucks—the things you used to cuss at because you couldn't pass them or see around them in those by-gone happy days when you used to go joy riding.

Farmers, loggers, operators of tank truck trains and trailers hauling milk and petroleum, common carriers hauling war materials from sub-contractors to assembly plants—all have been making noises about a threatened breakdown of the country's truck transportation system. There are a couple of resolutions pending before Congress, calling for investigations of the truck shortage and the effect of limited truck and trailer manufacture upon the civilian economy.

Truck and trailer builders, who have their ears flattened against the pipelines of information on demands from their old customers for new equipment, are clamoring for authority to get back into the production of more civilian trucks.

"Vot—U, Too?"



Cosden Official Admits Attempt To Hide Excessive Production Receipts

DALLAS —(P)— Jack K. Peterson, examiner of the Federal Petroleum Board, testified in federal court Thursday that R. Weldon Thompson, pipeline superintendent of the Cosden Petroleum Company refinery at Big Spring, had admitted to him attempts to hide receipt of excessive production.

Winkler -

(Continued from Page 1) at 7,872 feet in black shale streaked with lime and chert.

Occasioning interest Friday was the report that Phillips Petroleum Company No. 1-B University, scheduled Delaware wildcat test about one mile north of Pryor in Western Ward County, is running a "reef section" rather than a "basin section." It now is drilling at 3,875 feet in lime.

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Company No. 52-A J. F. Lane, scheduled 7,000-foot Ordovician wildcat in the shallow McCamey pool of West-ern Upton County, recovered 120 feet of drilling mud only on a one-hour drillstem test from 3,031 to 3,224 feet. It is drilling ahead past 3,345 feet in lime.

Phillips No. 1 Ada C. Price, Southeast Central Pecos County wildcat and deepest active operation in West Texas, is drilling at 11,553 feet in black shale.

An Ordovician test in Northeast-ern Pecos, Gulf Oil Corporation No. 1 Roy Girvin, two miles west of the Wentz Cambro-Ordovician pool, is coring below 4,450 feet in dolomite. Core from 4,414-52 feet returned 18 feet of dolomite and shale. Twelve-foot recovery of coarsely crystalline dolomite was obtained by coring from 4,432-50 feet.

North Basin American Petroleum Corporation No. 1 W. W. Kurtzes, scheduled 11,000-foot Ordovician wildcat 10 miles southeast of Plainview in Hale County, is drilling at 3,650 feet in anhydrite and shale.

In Eastern Lubbock County, Stanolind No. 1 Guy Hester, one-mile northeast extension test in the Sternett pool, is coring at 4,814 feet in lime.

Stanolind No. 15 American Warehouse Company, proposed 11,000-foot Ordovician test in the Cedar Lake Permian pool of Northeastern Gaines County, is drilling at 9,220 feet in lime.

A scheduled 8,500-foot test on the east side of the Seminole pool in Central Gaines, Amerada No. 6 R. W. Robertson, is drilling at 6,706 feet in lime.

Continental Oil Company No. 1-A Dr. E. F. Jones, deep wildcat in extreme Northwestern Gaines, is drilling below 4,165 feet in anhydrite.

Andrews Activity Union Oil Company of California No. 1 J. D. Biles, 7,400-foot wildcat 4 3/4 miles northwest of the Fullerton deep Permian pool in Northwestern Andrews County, is drilling past 5,500 feet in lime.

Magnolia No. 1-20-38 B. B. Ralph estate, deep wildcat 3 1/4 miles west by southwest of the Fullerton pool, is drilling gray lime and shale at 7,511 feet.

Humble Oil & Refining Company No. 1 Crews & Mast, San Andres production prospect in Northern Andrews, recovered 18 feet of lime showing oil and gas by coring from 4,744-62 feet, present total depth, and now is shut down while repairs are made to core-barrel.

The same firm's No. 1 W. F. Carter, slated 8,500-foot test in the Deep Rock pool of West Central Andrews, is drilling at 3,702 feet in anhydrite and lime.

Skelly Oil Company No. 1-K University, Holt zone prospect in Southern Andrews, is underreaming with 8-inch reamer in open hole from 5,466 feet, where 5 1/2-inch casing is cemented, and 5,900 feet, the plugged-back depth. Operators plan to run tubing test for natural production, then acidize the well in the Holt pay, basal San Andres.

Livestock

FORT WORTH—(P)—Cattle 300; calves 150; unchanged from Thursday's average levels. Good beef cows 10.50-11.50 with one load of South Texas Brahman cows at 10.50. Common to medium butcher cows 8.75-10.25. Most bulls 8.00-11.50, good fat calves 13.25-14.25; few desirable stocker steer calves went out at prices upward to 16.50 with best heifers topping at 16.00; few stocker cows 11.00 down.

Hogs 1,000; 15 to 20c below Thursday's average; good and choice 150 to 300 pound butchers 13.65-13.90; good 160 to 185 pound averages 13.25-13.60; good 350 pound butchers 13.50; sows and pigs 13.00 down. Sheep 1,600; steady; medium and good spring lambs 12.50-13.50; no good shorn lambs reported; fleshy shorn feeder lambs bid 11.25, and cull to good ewes 5.50-7.00.

Attendance Increases At Children's Program

Attendance at the children's program held each Saturday in the children's library at the courthouse is increasing weekly. Mrs. Rosita Hollar, librarian, said Friday.

About 114 persons were present for the movie and storytelling hour last Saturday.

Films to be shown Saturday afternoon are "Bicycling With Complete Safety," "This Is Ecuador," "General MacArthur," and a comedy.

RETURN FROM FORT WORTH

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Ulmer and daughter, Ann, have returned from a business trip to Fort Worth.

Tom Grisham, Abilene oil man, is in Midland on business.

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Draft Of Fathers May Be Put Off Again, Well-Informed Capital News Source Says

WASHINGTON —(P)— Don't be surprised if the delay in drafting fathers, now presumably put off until October, is extended again, and—without official announcement—perhaps indefinitely.

For that, according to D. C. Speaker, unofficial but well-informed capital news source, is the present prospect for the nation's dads—barring unforeseen and adverse changes in the current war picture.

"There are three reasons behind that prediction," said D. C., the mythical District of Columbia observer who represents authentic but untraceable sources, "and the first one may hurt the dads' feelings. They aren't wanted—if by their sons and younger brothers, can fight instead.

"Second reason, of course," he continued, "is that the planned quotas now are nearly full, and the new crops of 18-year-olds are expected to supply most replacements, aided by the single and childless married men have occupational or minor physical deficiencies.

"But the third reason is a combination of increased emphasis on aerial warfare and a turning-point trend toward sharpening the present striking force rather than continuing to expand it.

"In both cases," D. C. summed up, "the result should be about the same: A lessened military demand for men, and one that will affect older men who are not fathers."

Stations To Have 'A' Gas Book Forms Soon

DALLAS —(P)— Application forms by which motorists may apply by mail for renewal of their basic "A" gasoline rations will be available next week at gasoline stations and other convenient locations, the Office of Price Administration announced.

Books will be moved to car owners before July 21, the day on which coupons in current A books expire.

Nazis Brag -

(Continued from Page 1) tal defenses, a military commentator on the Paris radio told of "an ingenious German method" of setting landing boats ablaze by pouring oil over coastal waters and setting it afire.

The Rome radio gave an indication of the destruction being spread through Italian territory by steady Allied bombing. The broadcast said all except 6,000 or 7,000 persons had been evacuated from Cagliari, Sardinian capital, a city with a normal population of nearly 100,000.

Crete Fortified Dispatches from Ankara, meantime, said the Berlin Boersen-Zitung had published a long article assaying Balkan defenses and declaring that "German and Italian troops already have occupied all important positions in this new theater of war and have strongly fortified them."

Offering no definite assurance invasion can be prevented—and intimating that the Balkans furnish the most probable point of Allied attack—the article said hopefully: "In any case it is certain everything possible has been done for defense of the European continent."

The defense preparations, it went on, "particularly apply to Crete. With aid, this advanced position on Europe's southeastern rampart can be efficiently defended."

Miss Rosemary Johnson, of Fort Worth, will arrive Saturday to be in the Houseparty of Miss Frances Ellen Link, who will be married to Lt. John Alfred Matthews, Saturday, June 26.

Big Inch Line May Tighten Restrictions On Midwest Motorists

WASHINGTON —(P)— Completion of the eastward extension of the "Big Inch" oil pipeline around Aug. 1 probably will mean tighter restrictions on Midwestern motorists without relaxing civilian use of gasoline in the east.

An informed source said Friday the Midwest is being spared now because gasoline that would be saved by additional restrictions there could not be moved eastward by the heavily-burdened railroads, but opening of the pipeline section would change the picture.

Miss Anna Deussen, of Ponder, Mississippi, has arrived in the city and will be one of the attendants at the wedding of Miss Frances Ellen Link and Lt. John Alfred Matthews, which will be solemnized Saturday, June 26, in the First Presbyterian Church.

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Advertisement for CRAWFORD COFFEE SHOP, It's Not A Military Secret...! If there's one thing any man—civilian or serviceman—wants, it's good nourishing food.

Large advertisement for GRAND PRIZE Beer, featuring an illustration of a man and a woman, and text: Cultivate the Good Things... They are sunburned and weary, America's millions of victory gardeners...

WOMEN WON'T TALK

BY RENE RYERSON MART
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FISHERMAN CHAPTER XV

I GOT up and went into Margaret's room. She was walking the floor. "I just can't sleep, Miss Marthe," she mumbled apologetically.

"Well, we'll fix that," I said, with forced cheerfulness. I went into the bathroom and returned with a half glass of water.

"What's that?" she asked suspiciously as I reached for the envelope on the bedside table.

"Something the doctor left to make you sleep," I said, taking out two of the tablets.

Margaret shrank back. "I can't take them. I can't swallow them. They won't go down."

"All right, then," I said, soothingly and dropped the two pills into the half-filled glass of water.

I shook the glass and tiny bubbles rose to the top of the water. It looked as if it was going to take the medicine a long time to dissolve.

A chill dawn wind began to blow the curtains at the open windows. Margaret saw me shiver.

"Miss Marthe, you'll catch your death of cold," she said worriedly with a flash of her old self.

"Go on back to bed. I'll be all right," I said.

"Not unless you get into bed first and promise to take this medicine as soon as the tablets dissolve," I said.

"She obeyed. I tucked the quilt around her, told her to call me if she didn't go to sleep soon and went out. Kathy's door opened as I closed Margaret's and she stuck her head out.

"What's the matter, Gram? I heard you talking."

"Margaret's awake," I explained. "I just fixed her some of that sleeping medicine the doctor left."

There was the click of an electric switch and a streak of light showed beneath the door of Connie and Walter's room. It looked as if I'd awakened everybody in the house. I went back to bed

intending to get up in a few minutes to go and see if Margaret had followed my orders about taking the sedative, but the bed was warm and comfortable and I slipped to sleep before I knew it.

KATHY was eating her breakfast when I got down the next morning. She had on an outrageous pair of blue denim overalls and a red plaid lumberman's blouse. When she got up and crossed to the buffet for more toast the big wide legs of the pants flapped around her slender ankles. She had on high-heeled pumps.

I gasped and asked her if she was going fishing in those silly shoes, and she said, no, that Clint Mattison was bringing her a pair of hip boots to wear. She said they were going to take our boat and go to the end of the lake and cast for trout in the creek that comes down from the hills. She looked very alive and almost excited and there was a lift to her voice as she chattered.

I had a bad moment wondering whether or not to warn her against Mattison. I was sure my change of mind about investigating Derek Grady's murder had whetted his curiosity. He might try to find out things from Kathy.

But before I could make up my mind there came a whistle from outside and Kathy hopped up to open the door. From my place at the table I saw Mattison, his good arm loaded with fly rods, an extra pair of boots, and a kit bag, come into the hall. He piled his gear on a chair, and Kathy smiled at him and herded him into the breakfast room for a cup of coffee.

He apologized for his appearance as he sat down opposite me. He had on a faded shirt and old trousers tucked into hip boots, and he smelled like a fisherman. His broken arm was still in its cast and the empty shirt sleeve was pinned to his shoulder.

I poured him some coffee and he and Kathy began to talk about the possibility of a good catch, or,

rather, Kathy did. I glanced up unexpectedly and caught Mattison studying me from under his lowered brows. There was grim concentration in his gray eyes. My hunch had been right. I knew it then. Mattison wasn't present just for the pleasure of Kathy's company.

A SUDDEN commotion in the hall ended what might have become an awkward situation down stairs for breakfast and Jack spied Mattison's fishing traps. Miss Lake was bringing the twins Jack's been crazy about fishing ever since Walter took him out of the lake once and let him pretend he was fishing with a real rod. He made an excited dive for Mattison's things.

"Ook, I'm goin' fishin'. I'm goin' fishin'," he chanted with shrill delight. Miss Lake screamed. Her cry brought us to our feet and into the hall. Jack was swinging one of the rods around in the air and the line had come unreeled. We saw the dangling hook flash past Judy's dimpled baby face and bury itself in one of the window drapes.

Kathy separated Jack from the fishing stick and Mattison helped the trembling governess free the hook. Kathy sat down on the bottom stairs with Jack.

"Those are Mr. Mattison's fishing rods," she told him firmly. "You shouldn't have touched them."

That meant nothing to Jack. "Can't I go wif 'im?" he begged. "Me want to catch fish."

Kathy laughed in spite of herself. "Maybe, the next time," she promised.

"Sure," Mattison joined in. "Next time I'll bring a fishing pole for you, too."

Clara appeared on the landing above. In her hands she carried Margaret's breakfast tray and the dishes on it rattled. The girl was shaking with terror.

"I can't wake Margaret up," she gasped. "I think she's dead."

(To Be Continued)

'Health' Hanging



Recuperating from neck wound received at Oran landing, American Pfc. Wilfred Hawkes of Columbus, O., undergoes special hardener course for injured Yanks at hospital "somewhere in Britain," while Sgt. D. D. Gilbert of Philadelphia looks on.

Two Sheep Shearers Charged With Assault

WACO — (AP) — Lupe Arenas and Joe Salinas, sheep shearers of Moody, Texas, were held in an undisclosed place for safekeeping Friday after they were charged with rape in a justice of the peace court at Valley Mills.

The charges were filed after a 13-year-old Clifton girl had disappeared from her home.

Mistrial Ruled In Belton Murder Case

BELTON, Texas — (AP) — A mistrial was ruled in the trial Thursday of O. W. Hall, charged with murder in the fatal shooting last June of Lew Sifton of Austin and San Antonio.

Midland Men Attend District Rotary Meet

Roy McKee, president - elect of the Midland Rotary Club, Fred Wemple and Robert Foulks are in Dallas, attending the district assembly of Rotary International.

Indians in Canada are miners under the law, and their affairs are administered by the Indian Affairs Branch of the Department of Mines and Resources.

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OUT OUR WAY —By J. R. WILLIAMS



SIDE GLANCES



"You'd better speak to Junior—he's writing a novel in which the hero kills a dozen guards and escapes from five prisons, including Alcatraz!"

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority
The Eastern States mixed team-of-four championship recently played in New York was won by Mrs. Louis W. Noel and Fred D. Kaplan of New York, Mrs. E. J. Bacher of East Orange, N. J., and W. D. Levin of Brooklyn. They awarded the Wilbur C. Whitehead Memorial Trophy. This event is conducted annually for the benefit of the League's ward for children at Memorial Hospital.

In board-a-match team events, part scores play an important role. Here is an interesting part-score hand played by Mrs. Noel, which won the match for her team and helped to win the championship. Over the one-club bid, Mrs. Noel

Bridge hand diagram showing cards and dealer position.

(South) correctly bid one spade. North made a nice response of two clubs, and quite correctly passed South's bid of two hearts, remembering that South had passed as dealer.

The opening lead, a most unusual one, was won by Mrs. Noel with the ace of diamonds. A small diamond was returned immediately, forcing East to win with the king. It East at this point had made the smart play of the ace of hearts, followed by a small heart, he probably would have defeated the contract. He returned the four of hearts, however, and South won the trick with the eight-spot.

Big Mexican Volcano Still Shooting Fire

URUPAN, MEXICO — (AP) — Double-barreled Paricutin volcano, located at the western extremity of Mexico's southern "volcano axis," continued shooting fire, lava and hot rocks Thursday night as tourists flocked to the "show."

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

Advertisement for 'The Giant Saguaro Cactus' featuring a large illustration of a cactus and text describing its height and age.

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Student Officer Vividly Recalls Transport Trip

Being in a tight spot is nothing new for First Lt. W. R. Galt Jr., son of Mrs. Ward S. Galt, of Jacksonville, Fla., who now is a student officer at the Midland Army Air Field.

A former student of Maryland Military Institute and Virginia Polytechnic, he was called into service as a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery in 1941. He was soon placed aboard a troop transport for an unknown destination which later proved to be the Panama Canal Zone.

Ship Under Attack Lieutenant Galt vividly recalls the sea voyage as the ship was a constant target for enemy submarines. One night the alert was sounded and crew members of the ship were ordered to battle stations.

An enemy sub was sighted and it started to attack the transport. The troops aboard were confined to the hold of the ship. A ship's officer fastened down all the hatches and compartment doors, forcing them tight with a hammer.

Lieutenant Galt inquired why this was being done and the officer explained that if a torpedo hit that particular part of the ship water would only enter the damaged section, and the ship would not necessarily sink.

"The escape hatch wasn't much of an opening and it was a long climb from the hold to the deck. The deck guns were firing at the sub and luckily the torpedo missed its mark," he said. He paid high praise in regard to the conduct of his men during the attack. They all remained cool and calm.

"But I guess we were all a bit nervous," he added. In Panama One Year Several more "periscopes" were sighted during the course of the voyage but none of them offered battle. Upon reaching Panama Lieutenant Galt was second in command of a platoon of men guarding the Gatun Locks of the canal. He remained in Panama for a year.

He made several applications for air crew training but at that time officers in foreign service were not allowed to transfer. The order later was rescinded and Lieutenant Galt's application was accepted. He flew back to the States and entered the Air Corps.

"I like flying, especially bombardiering, and when I finish my training here I want to make the Axis my target rather than be a "lame duck" on the water for them," he concluded. He is married and his wife lives in Huntington Park, Calif.

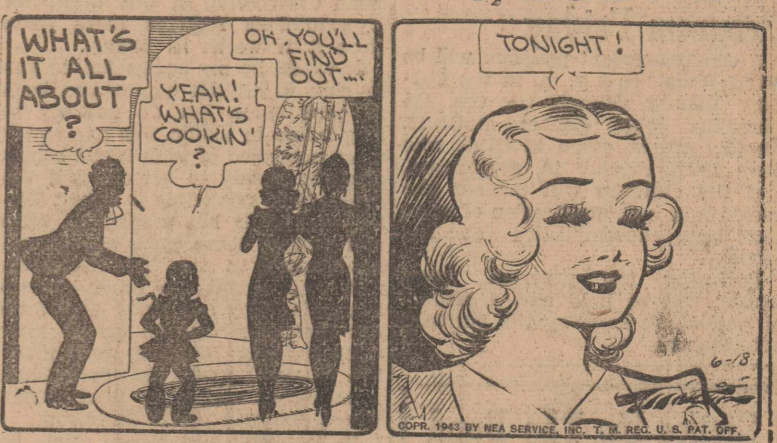
Medieval Persians used to wager a finger or even an arm on the outcome of a chess game; the loser would lop off the lost member and cauterize the wound in ointment kept handy.

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



—By EDGAR MARTIN

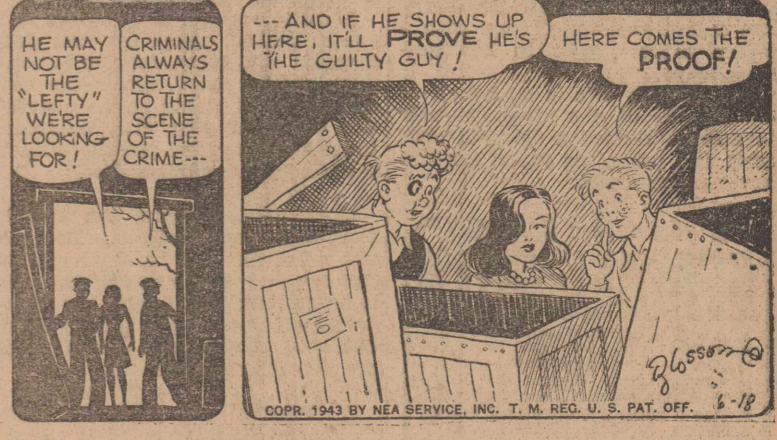


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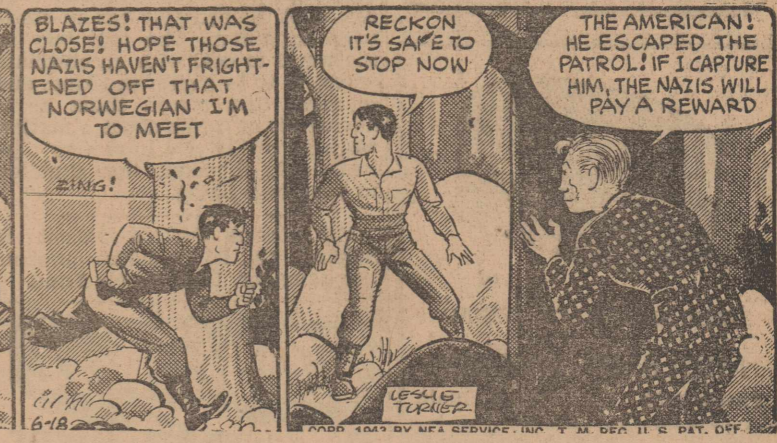
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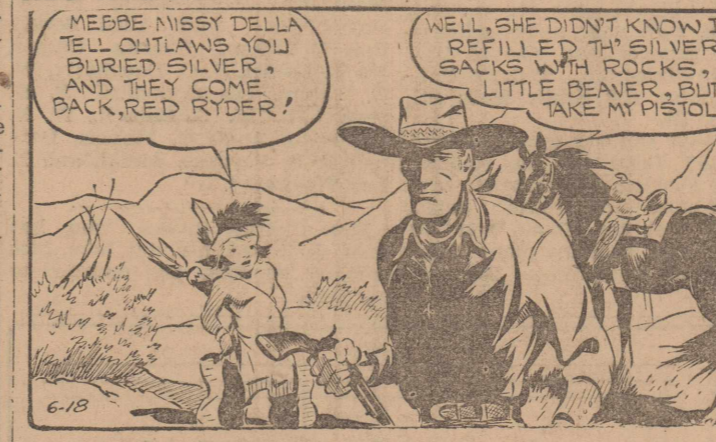
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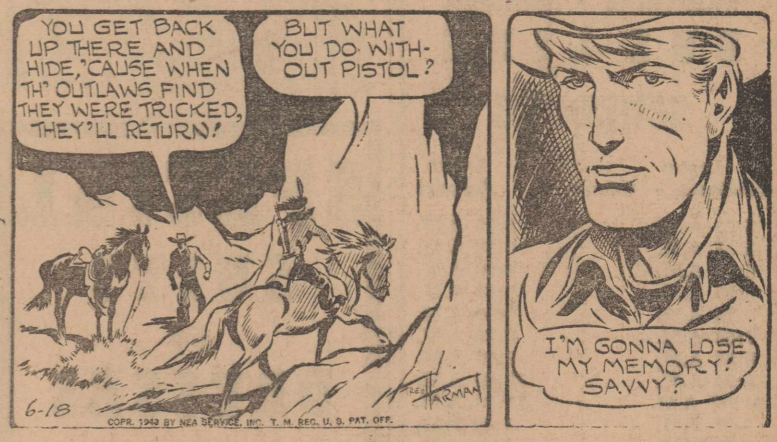
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Joe Cronin Poles In Two Home Runs In Doubleheader With A's

By Judson Bailey
Associated Press Sports Writer
Joseph Edward Cronin, the stylish stout manager of the Boston Red Sox, will have a new story to tell the soldiers and sailors overseas if he makes another journey abroad for the Red Cross next winter. The boys will want to hear again about the time that the Philadelphia Athletics came to Boston for a five-game series during which Cronin, 36 years old and round as a barrage balloon, made for appearances as a pinchhitter and produced three home runs, everyone with two teammates aboard.

Cronin will start his story with that doubleheader on Jun. 15, a Tuesday. His Red Sox lost both games, but the red checked Irishman, whose batting average was around .200 for his few previous appearances, brightened the first game by parking one of Lum Harris' knuckle-ball pitches in the stand in the seventh inning. He couldn't repeat in the second game.

Smacks Two Homers

This will lead up to the climax on Thursday, when he reached the peak in pinch hitting—a home run in each game of a doubleheader.

The A's had a 4-1 lead in the seventh inning of the first game when Babe Barna and Skeeter Newsome got on base and Cronin came up against Russ Christopher. Quickly he rified a drive into the stands to tie the score, and the Sox went on to a 5-4 victory.

In the second game the A's were winning 3-4 when Cronin came up against Rookie Don Black in the eighth inning with Bobby Doerr and Newsome on base. It was the same story, except that Boston didn't get any more runs and the A's won the second game 8-7.

Indians Beat Tigers

Winning the nightcap lifted the A's into third place in the American League because Detroit dropped a twilight-night doubleheader to the Cleveland Indians 3-2 and 6-5, the second game going 12 innings. Relief Pitcher Mike Maymick received credit for both victories with Manager Lou Boudreau

driving in the deciding run in the session.

The New York Yankees were given a 9-8 decision over the Washington Senators in a ragged game in which the winning run was forced across on a walk by Early Wynn with the bases loaded in the ninth.

Luke Appling enabled the Chicago White Sox to nose out the St. Louis Browns 4-3 in 13 innings. He doubled for two runs to tie the score in the ninth and singled home the winning run four frames later.

Cincinnati set down the St. Louis Cardinals 6-1 and moved closer to second place in the National League as Elmer Riddle pitched five-hit ball and Gee Walker drove in three of the Reds' runs.

Giants Trim Bums

The New York Giants completed a sweep of their three-game series with the Brooklyn Dodgers by winning 8-5 on the impetus of a five-run first inning against Kirby Higbe.

The Chicago Cubs were held to four hits, but one of them was a three-run homer by Ival Goodman and brought them a 3-2 triumph over the Pittsburgh Pirates, who made just six safeties off Paul Derringer.

Philadelphia and Boston divided a doubleheader, the Braves taking the first game 2-0 on the four-hit hurling of Nanny Salvo, who had not won previously this year, and the Phillies bagging the nightcap 7-2 with a 13-hit attack.

Tomahawk



Everybody knew Tommy Holmes was an accomplished center-fielder, and he stirred up trouble in another department by batting better than .400 on the Boston Braves' long road trip.

Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton, Jr.
NEW YORK—(P)—Here it is past the middle of June and there hasn't been a major golf tournament yet—which makes it the first June without one since the other world war. The Hale America tourney filled the gap last year when the National Open was abandoned. . . . Although the Yankees - Senators race is about the hottest thing in baseball right now and Washington is about the hottest town (without reference to weather), the Yanks won't return to the capital until Sept. 17. . . . Richmond University, which nearly quit football when Coach Johnny Fenlon went into the service, is due to get a batch of good players July 1 when the Navy moves in. The consignment may include most of the mighty William and Mary team. . . . And word from the Midwest is that a large part of Minnesota's 1942 team will wind up as Marine trainees at Northwestern.

Shorts And Shells

Clark Griffith, who ought to know, says that Ty Cobb was a fair better base stealer than George Case but Case is a faster runner. Griff says he had timed Case at 9.8 for 100 yards in a baseball uniform. . . . While Billy Talbert and Pannho Segura appear to be starting a summer-long rivalry for the top tennis spot, Sam Hardy argues that Bobby Falkenburg is the best prospect who is likely to perform this season. Bobby, he says, is "a natural fighter who reminds me of Billy Johnson." . . . Bill Cummings, the Rice Institute hurdler who is favored to make a clean sweep of the A. A. U. timber topping titles Sunday, turned out for basketball for the first time last season and became one of the best guards in the Southwest Conference.

Book Review

Just received from Clay Center, Kas., "Wylie's Fishing Calculator," three odd pages of charts, graphs and instructions telling you just what days to fish and what time of day they'll be biting—but not a word on where to find the fish or how to get there. . . . What the heck, Mr. Wylie, we can't catch 'em in Sixth Avenue.

Service Dept.

Jamor James P. Muri, 24-year-old commander of the "Wildcat" squadron at Eglin Field, Fla., doesn't appear to be any prouder of the distinguished Service Cross he received for sinking a Jap aircraft carrier off Midway than he is of the Wildcat's athletic achievements. It isn't entirely surprising, for Major Muri was an all-state football and basketball player at Miles City, Mont., a few years ago and the Wildcats have won every sports tournament or league on the base.

Grimes Enters Navy

EDINBURG, TEXAS—(P)—Dale Grimes, former assistant coach at Edinburg High School, has been commissioned an ensign in the Navy at Jacksonville, Fla., and assigned as assistant athletic officer of the Naval Air Station there.

Four fans, all women, witnessed a recent Northwestern-Wisconsin conference track meet.

Men In Service Will Compete In A.A.U. Tourney

NEW YORK—(P)—Although department of war leaders say that their soldier-students won't have time for intercollegiate athletics this fall, representatives from 18 Army camps will compete this weekend in the National A. A. U. track and field championships.

A check shows that a majority of the khaki runners are coming to Randall's Island on furlough—time usually saved for a trip home. Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen from 14 different camps also will be here for the biggest service entry in the 55 years of the meet, including Chief Specialist Greg Rice of the Maritime Services, who will oppose Gunder Haeg of Sweden in the headlined 5,000 meter event on Sunday, and Ensign Cornelius Warmerdam in the pole vault. In the high jump, Cpl. Joshua Williamson of Camp Pickett, Va., late of Xavier College; Cpl. Adam Berry of Camp Carson, Colo.; Pvt. Pete Watkins of Texas A. and M. and Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and

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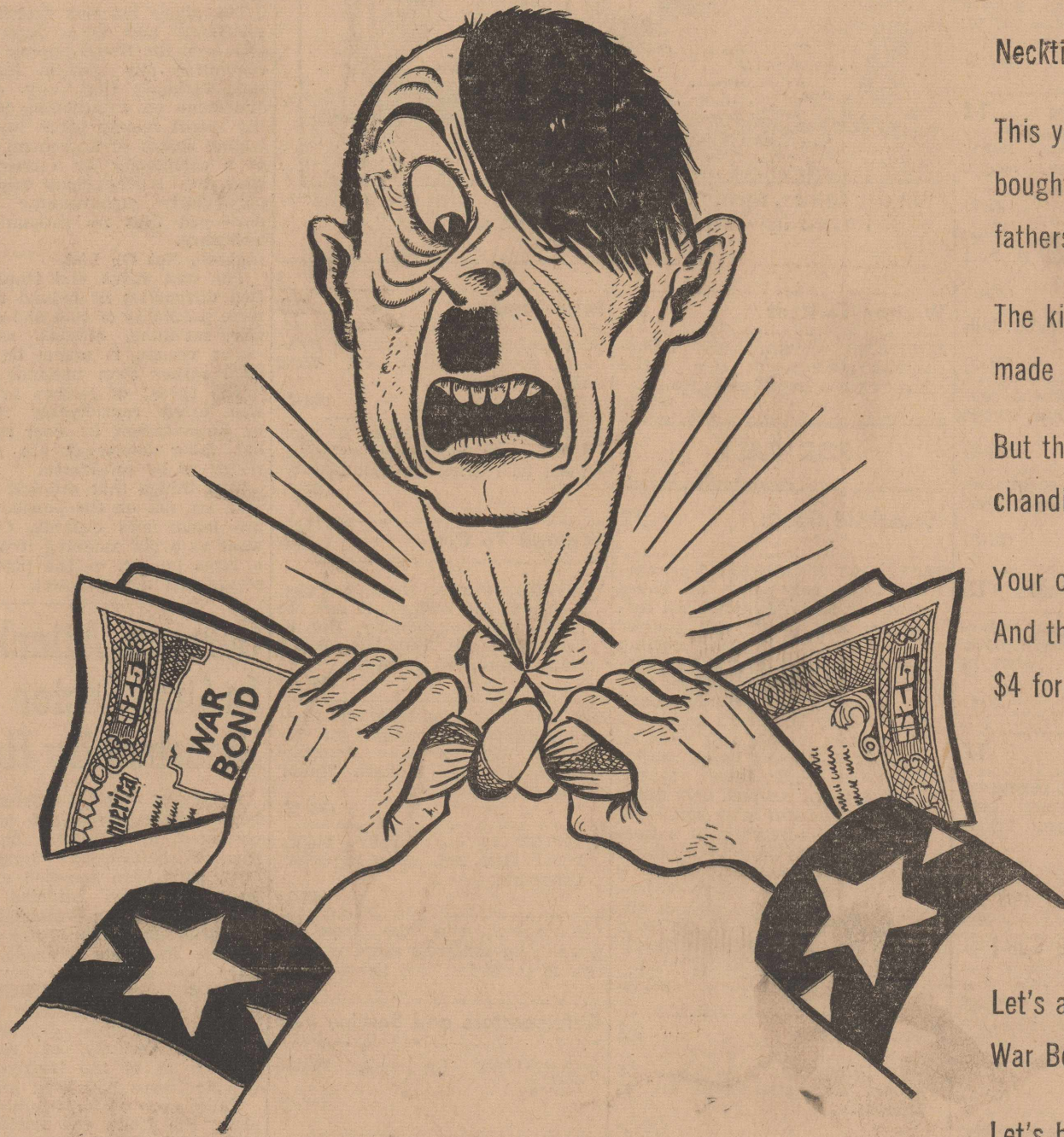
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Boston	25	28	.472
Cleveland	22	26	.458
St. Louis	19	26	.422
National League	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	31	17	.646
Brooklyn	31	23	.574
Cincinnati	26	22	.542
Pittsburgh	25	23	.521
Philadelphia	25	24	.510
Boston	21	25	.457
New York	20	30	.400
Chicago	17	32	.347

THURSDAY GAMES

American League	Time
Boston 5-7, Philadelphia 4-6.	
Detroit 2-5, Cleveland 3-6.	
New York 9, Washington 8.	
Chicago 4, St. Louis 3 (13 inn.)	
National League	Time
Cincinnati 6, St. Louis 1.	
New York 8, Brooklyn 5.	
Chicago 3, Pittsburgh 2.	
Boston 2-2, Philadelphia 0-7.	

Pvt. A. Richmond Morcom of New Hampshire are entered.

Arkansas Aggies May Get Good Grid Squad

HOUSTON—(P)—Arkansas A. and M. at Monticello is getting the nucleus of a pretty fair football team—if the school sees fit to support a team next fall.

Two of the Texas all-state players of last fall already have been assigned to Arkansas A. and M. in the serving training program. One is Trevell Allen, Austin's center, and the other is Wilton Ferrell, John Reagan back.

Cawthon Appointed Coach For Dodgers

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.—(P)—Pete Cawthon, newly appointed head coach of the Brooklyn Dodgers of the National Professional Football League, has been granted a leave of absence from the University of Alabama, where he was assistant football coach, and will assume his new duties immediately, it was announced Friday.

Cawthon said his appointment as coach of the Dodgers was made Thursday by Dan Topping, Jr., the club's owner, at the completion of negotiations lasting several days. Cawthon was formerly head football coach at Texas Tech.

Paul Dean Thinking Of Quitting Baseball

CHICAGO—(P)—Paul Dean, who used to barrel in fast balls for the St. Louis Cardinals when he and his brother, Dizzy, were in their pitching prime, is thinking about giving up baseball to run a barrel factory.

Dean has pitched only 13 1/2 innings for the St. Louis Browns this year and has gone to St. Louis to confer with Vice President Bill De Witt.

Four-Letterman Now Prisoner Of Japanese

PHARR—(P)—Everett Clark, four-letter athlete at Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School before joining the U. S. Marines, had not been heard from since the fall of Corregidor—until this week.

His sister, Mrs. J. C. Bullin, was informed by the War Department that Clark was alive and well although a prisoner of the Japanese. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Clark, are in Springfield, Mo., visiting a daughter.

Auto Use Stamps Now On Sale At Post Office Here

Federal auto use stamps now are on sale at the post office here and must be displayed on motor vehicles by July 1. The stamps, which cost \$5.00 each, evidence payment of the tax for the fiscal year beginning on that date.

The stamps are serially numbered, gummed on the face, and have spaces on the back of recording the make, model, serial number and state license number of the vehicle. The office of the Collector of Internal Revenue at Dallas suggests that, when affixing the stamp, the vehicle owner should dampen the windshield rather than the adhesive side of the stamp. This method is recommended to keep the stamp intact on the windshield. As an added precaution, the office suggests that each motor vehicle owner should make a record of the serial number which appears on the use tax stamp in the event the stamp should become lost.

The stamps should be placed conspicuously on the windshield, although no restrictions are placed on the location. Failure to display the stamp after July 1 will subject violators to severe penalties, the office said.

Forde Asks End To Australian Strikes

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA—(P)—Francis M. Forde, deputy prime minister, told the Australian trades union conference Friday that the elimination of strikes and industrial stoppages is imperative if Australia is to achieve 100 per cent effectiveness in her war effort.

Geologists Hear Talk About Java

"If Midland County had the same density of population as Java, there would be nearly a million persons in this one West Texas county," Dr. H. N. Schuppel told 65 members of the Midland Geological Society at a luncheon Thursday noon in the Cactus Cafe.

Dr. Schuppel, here on special assignment by the Shell Oil Company, Inc., also described the geography of the island. Extreme fertility of the soil, enabling the Javanese while under Netherlands rule to harvest three rice crops annually, is one of the factors contributing to the island's dense population. That, coupled with a lowered death rate resulting from sanitary measures introduced by the Dutch, gives the record population of more than 950 persons per square mile, he said. "Living in Java, with its high humid temperature and torrential rains, is like living in a hothouse," Dr. Schuppel said. He spent six or seven years on the island, leaving it in 1930 for The Hague, where he stayed nine years.

John M. Mills, president of the society, introduced the speaker.

DUNAGAN AND COLE RETURN FROM CHICAGO

Clint Dunagan and Taylor Cole returned Thursday from Chicago where they attended the annual conference of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce. Dunagan is a vice-president of Texas Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Cole is a director of the national Jaycee organization. They attended a conference of Texas Jaycee officials in Fort Worth enroute to Chicago.

R. E. Scott, district representative of the Gulf Brewing Company, is here from El Paso.