

Remember Them!

Remember Java where a Texas soldier prayed for the sight of just one American plane while Japanese Zeros and dive-bombers were dropping death and destruction all around him?

Hav'n't heard from him since then. His people hope that he is a prisoner of the Japs, as horrible as that may be.

Maybe you have a son, a brother, a husband, a friend on some battle front. Don't force him to utter the same prayer.

Planes, tanks, guns, ships. Our boys MUST have them! They will lose without them!

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Buy a war bond today. Do it as often as possible.

You can't lose and it will help win the war.

Over \$5000 Raised In School Campaign

Supt. J. T. Carter reported today that a grand total of \$5,512 was raised in the Farwell school "Buy A Jeep" campaign, through purchases of war savings bonds and stamps.

Topping the list for the school was the second and third grade, in which room more than enough money to buy a single jeep was raised.

Actually, with the amount now on hand, the school will receive credit for the purchase of six of the army vehicles, Supt. Carter stated, as the purchase price per jeep is set at \$900. The campaign opened at the school some three weeks ago, and was not due to close until April 21.

Officials of the county war loan drive this week praised the contribution made by the school in assisting in raising the huge quota set for Farmer county during April. Supt. Carter expressed his appreciation to patrons who cooperated by buying bonds and stamps liberally through the school and highly commended the students for their purchases out of their own small earnings.

Court Approves Two More County Roads

The Farmer County Commissioners Court, in session here Monday, approved petitions for two more county roads and took steps looking to their opening in the near future by naming juries of view on each project.

The road petition of V. W. Rannals, et al, was accepted and the jury of view is composed of the following: V. W. Rannals, Ernest Wright, C. L. McGee, Harry Jesko, Lacy Hardage.

The other road petition, presented by Lee Jones, et al, was accepted and Lee Jones, R. B. Rundell, Sam White, Wilbur Zoch and J. C. Robertson were named as the jury of view.

Other business transacted at Monday's meeting included payment of current bills and the approval of Sheriff Earl Booth's expense account for the month of March.

Pecos Pastor Comes Here For Revival

Rev. J. C. English, pastor of the Methodist Church of Pecos, has accepted an invitation to do the evangelistic preaching in a revival meeting at the local Methodist church, Rev. Paul H. Tripp, pastor, announced today.

The date of the forthcoming revival was set some weeks ago by the official board of the church, Rev. Tripp added, scheduled to begin June 3rd and close June 13th.

Further details of the meeting will be announced later, the pastor stated.

Owen Cox, formerly of Jayton, Texas, arrived here the first of the week to take over the duties of assistant administrative supervisor in the local AAA office. Cox has been with the Triple A in Jayton for some two years.

WITNESSED DROWNING

Reagan Looney and Aubrey Brock of Bovina returned home the latter part of last week from a rather successful fishing trip to Elephant Butte Lake in New Mexico.

They witnessed a tragic sight from their camp on the shores of the lake, when a high wind came up and capsized a small boat with four occupants—three men and a woman—all of whom soon disappeared beneath the waves.

The Bovina men said the tragedy occurred several hundred yards from shore, "and there wasn't a thing we could do to help them".

Tipton Funeral To Be This Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Ola Tipton are to be held this (Wednesday) afternoon at three o'clock in the Church of Christ in Farwell, with Minister L. C. Cox officiating.

Burial will take place in the Oklahoma Lane cemetery in charge of the Steed Funeral Home of Clovis. Mrs. Tipton died at the family home here Monday after an illness of several months. She was 65 years old.

She is survived by her husband, Frank C. Tipton, three sons and five daughters. The sons are Percy and Elmer of Farwell and Jim of Paducah. The daughters: Mrs. Clara Belle Orr, Hobbs; Mrs. Zuda Yell, Rose, Okla.; Mrs. Marcel Yell, Raydon, Okla.; Mrs. Onnie Doshier, Farwell; and Mrs. Cecil Stewart Mayfield, Okla.

Draft Board Meets Saturday Afternoon

Mrs. Bessie Lee Henneman, clerk of the local draft board, has called a special meeting for Saturday afternoon at the office in Farwell.

In issuing the call, she explained that the special meeting was made expedient now because of recent changes in selective service regulations, requiring that a large number of registrants be reclassified at "the earliest possible date".

She said that under new regulations, class 3-B had been eliminated and all registrants now in that category would be reclassified and placed in other groups, depending upon their essentiality and dependency.

LIGHTNING KILLS COW

J. R. Southward of the Lakeview community was in town the first of the week and reported the loss of a young heifer at his farm last week. The animal was killed by lightning only a short distance from the barn, he said.

TO BE OPERATED

Mrs. Sam Aldridge, who has been receiving medical attention in Lubbock for the past several days, will undergo a major operation on Thursday morning of this week, relatives here announced today.

Most of County Receives Good Rain

Laying Plans for Greatest Bond Drive

Farm Acreage to be Determined on Maps

A drastic change in the method of determining AAA payments for 1943 was announced this week by John Martin, local supervisor, who stated that during the next two weeks special meetings would be held over the county, at which times acreages of the various crops would be determined for individual farms. In the past, although farmers made known what and how much they intended to plant, measurements were taken after crops were standing to check the acreage. This year, each farmer will have his land plotted on aerial maps, indicating the acreage he will devote to each crop, and no measurement on the farm will be made later.

"Through the use of these aerial maps," Martin pointed out, "we can determine accurately where a certain crop should begin and end to cover the exact specified acreage."

"Furthermore," he went on, "and this is important—if a producer fails to attend a community meeting to receive his plotted map, and consequently we have no record of his planting in the office, he will definitely not receive AAA payments."

Within a few days letters and individual maps will be mailed farmers of the county. At community meetings, two plotted maps showing acreage will be made—one for the producer, one to go on file in the local office. All changes the producer decides to make he must indicate on his map, and must in turn file such changes at the AAA office.

Meeting Dates Given

Dates at which such work will be conducted in the various communities are as follows:

- April 19, Farwell, next door to AAA office.
- April 20, Bovina, Chamber of Commerce building.
- April 21, Friona, Reeve building.
- April 22, Lakeview, school.
- April 23, Black, school.
- April 24, Rhea, school.
- April 26, Oklahoma Lane, school.
- April 27, Midway, school.
- April 28, Lazbuddy, school.

Personnel from the AAA office will handle the work at the specified points from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. said Martin and he urged producers to remember "No sign-up, no pay".

Welfare Agent Here Each Second Tuesday

Mrs. Marzelle Miller of the State Department of Public Welfare, made her first visit to Farwell on Tuesday of this week and announced that hereafter she would be in Farwell on the second Tuesday of each month.

Mrs. Miller said that her office was particularly interested in the old age assistance program, aid to dependent children and aid to the blind. Parties having problems in these categories may contact Mrs. Miller at the county courthouse on the specified dates.

Her territory embraces four counties, Farmer, Castro, Oldham and Deaf Smith, with headquarters at Hereford.

Attends Funeral Of Uncle in Pampa, Sat.

B. N. Graham of this city was called to Pampa last Saturday to attend the funeral of an uncle, R. G. Graham, age 90, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Marvin Hassell, in that city.

The aged man had been making his home with a son and two daughters in Pampa for the past several years. His wife died at Burkburnett in 1930.

Funeral services were held at the South Side Methodist Church Saturday afternoon and burial took place at Pampa. Deceased had been a member of the Methodist church for the past 74 years.

The present rate of U. S. shipbuilding—14,400,00 tons a year—is almost a million tons more than the combined tonnage of the merchant fleets of the Axis powers.

Special War Map Issued This Week

Through the cooperation of the J. C. Penny Company of Clovis The Tribune is this week issuing a special war map, which is made a part of this edition of the paper.

This map should be preserved and used for reference in keeping up with developments of the present world conflict. Readers will find it very helpful in this regard.

Young Farmer Found Dead; Buried Sunday

Eldison J. Dodson, 28-year-old farmer living on the Mrs. Minnie Leftwich farm northeast of this city, was found dead in the barn early Saturday morning by his wife, who went to investigate after he had failed to return to the house from doing the chores the evening before.

Justice of the Peace Jess Newton conducted an inquest, assisted by County Health Officer J. M. McCuan and County Attorney A. D. Smith. A verdict was returned that deceased died of natural causes.

Dodson had lived on the Leftwich farm only since the first of the present year. Prior to that he had been a resident of the Friona community for the past 15 years. Burial took place at Friona Sunday afternoon, following services at the Methodist church in that city.

He is survived by his wife and two small children, a son and daughter. His father, Tom Dodson of Friona, also survives.

Dr. Gossard Talks To Club on "Russia"

Dr. H. C. Gossard, dean of the Eastern New Mexico College at Portales, will use "Russia" as his subject when he appears before the regular meeting of the local Men's Club on Thursday evening.

The meeting will be held in the parlors of the Methodist Church and all men of the community are invited. C. M. Henderson, chairman of the Club, said that a number of subjects of local interest would also be presented at the meeting.

The chairman said there was ample coffee and sugar on hand for the lunch, but at least a dozen pies and 50 sandwiches should be brought by those attending. The meeting will get underway at 8:30.

Tractor And Implement Tires Now Available

Keeping tractor and other farm implements operating full time on the farm highlights two recent actions regarding tires, the state war board announces.

The first action lifts county quota restrictions on such tires, while the second specifies farmers may obtain tires recapped with reclaimed rubber without ration certificates.

Farmers are now required to apply only to local ration boards to obtain sufficient tires for farm use and local boards have been advised by OPA that substantial district, state and regional reserves have been established to provide for needs. Also, a national reserve will be maintained to increase field office supplies of this type tire.

The principal reason behind the move which frees recapping with reclaimed rubber was the desire to save tires in time to prevent total loss. As a move of conservation, replacements will not be issued for tires that can be recapped.

Previously, recapping of rear wheel tractor tires was not required and replacements were granted even though tires replaced might have been recapped.

Furthermore, local war board officials announce, change-overs from steel to rubber tires may be made and such tires purchased if the county board okays such change.

Bought any war stamps today?

"We have hardly had time to get our forces organized as yet," said G. D. Anderson, chairman of the War Bond Committee, when asked Tuesday about the progress of the second war loan campaign.

Chairman Anderson said that he had made some contacts, and from those few sources reported a very encouraging outlook for selling the \$107,000 in war bonds in this county during the month of April.

Reports compiled here today by Chairman Anderson set the bond sales in Farmer County for the month of March at \$20,662.50. The quota for the month was \$15,200.

The month of April has been designated as the biggest bond-selling month since the program was launched, and already many counties over the nation, especially in Texas, are reporting their quota of sales already reached.

Farmer county, Chairman Anderson pointed out, has never failed in any demand placed upon her, but at the same time the present campaign surpasses by heavy odds any previous askings for any cause. He referred to previous war bond quotas, the Red Cross drives, the USO campaign, and said that Farmer County had always come through.

"We can make our quota in this drive," he added, "but not unless a number of bond buyers invest heavily."

Bonds are on sale at all postoffices and at the Friona State Bank and Security State Bank in this city, the chairman reminded the public.

Former President Of Local Bank Is Buried

Funeral services for Henry L. Wilkinson were conducted at the Blackburn-Shaw Memorial chapel in Amarillo Tuesday afternoon by Dr. Earl G. Hamlett, pastor of the Polk Street Methodist Church in Amarillo.

Mr. Wilkinson, who was the state director of the Farm Security Administration, died Thursday in a Fort Worth hospital. He had been in failing health for about a year. Wilkinson was 56 years old.

Mr. Wilkinson had been a resident of the Panhandle for a number of years, and was formerly engaged in banking at Hereford. When the Security State Bank of this city was organized in 1925, he was president of the board of directors. He had no connection with the local bank at the time of his death.

ATTEND PRESS MEET

Farmer county had four attendants at the Panhandle Press Association Convention in Amarillo last Friday and Saturday. Friona was represented by John White, editor of the Friona Star, and Paxton Smith, pastor of the Congregational Church. From Farwell went The Tribune publisher, W. H. Graham, and Mrs. Abie Crume.

All attendance records were broken at the meet, which was declared the most enjoyable in recent years.

Tribune Want Ads Gets Results!

Irrigation Loans Now Being Made by FSA

Applications are now being received at the Farm Security Administration office in Farwell from farmers who wish to install pump irrigation facilities, and which would benefit the nation's drive for increased food production.

The announcement was made today by Raleigh C. Middleton, rural rehabilitation supervisor for the FSA, with offices in the local courthouse.

Prospective applicants for installation loans are advised, however, that the program is restricted to the shallow water areas within Farmer county. "No loans," said Mr. Middleton, "will be approved on farms which do not lie within the shallow water areas of the county."

Loans will also be limited to bonafide farm operators, or land owners,

while most of Farmer county received fair to heavy rains on Wednesday afternoon of last week, many sections are reported to have been missed completely by the moisture.

Some scattered areas reported as much as two inches that afternoon, while others received only a light sprinkle, according to reports gathered here this week.

Quite a good scope of the Lazbuddy section got a good drenching but in the same locality other farmers report no moisture at all. In Farwell the precipitation amounted to .56 of an inch, according to records kept by R. V. Ham. To the west the rain grew lighter, with only a shower falling at Clovis.

The Black, Summerfield and Hub communities seem to have been favored with estimates of two inches in these localities. Other remote areas reported up to two inches, but these were exceptions.

Friona received a good rain, estimated at a full inch, which grew heavier to the northwest.

In the Oklahoma Lane section the fall was very light.

Wheat Fields Look Good

Wheat fields visited by the timely rain have taken a new lease on life during the past few days. Farmers say that none of the wheat was suffering badly in this area, but the rain will mean much to wheat prospects.

Hail is reported in some sections, particularly in the Hub community, but it was very small and did little or no damage.

Spring plowing operations, which have been at a standstill the past few weeks, have been renewed in the sections where sufficient moisture was obtained.

Fire Threatens Local Cotton Gin Sunday

Early discovery of a fire in the Farwell cotton gin at an early hour Sunday night is believed to have saved the property from complete destruction.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Summers were driving along the Amarillo highway when she noticed the glow of the flames through a window at the gin. They drove to the fire hall and turned in the alarm.

Only a small amount of bagging and loose cotton were burned, thanks to the prompt arrival of the Texico fire department. The fire started in the north end of the building near the press.

Due to the fact that the gin is beyond reach of hose equipment of the department, it is believed that the building and contents would have been a complete loss had the fire not been discovered in time. Chemicals were used on the small flame.

Ray Ford Opens His Produce House Here

Ray Ford reopened his place of business, the Ford Produce, in Farwell last Saturday after an absence of several months while he was working in various defense plants and seeking better climate for his wife's failing health.

Ford resumed business in the same location he formerly occupied on Main Street in Farwell.

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PLEASANT HILL

Pvt. Jimmie Spearman is home on a furlough.
Mrs. Stovall went to Endee last Sunday to visit her husband.
J. A. Moorman returned from the hospital last week.
Mrs. Gene Gooch returned home from Amarillo last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bocox went to Amarillo over the weekend.
Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Jarrell returned from Colman, Calif., on Friday. His sister, Mrs. Raymond Crews accompanied them here.
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bocox were in Amarillo Monday. They have a sick relative there.

OKLAHOMA LANE

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Gober had as weekend guests Cpl. and Mrs. David Carson of Lubbock and Bombardier Claude (Buzz) Gober of Big Spring.
Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Williams of Farwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Henchie and family Sunday.
Ernest Foster and son, Edwin, made a business trip to Elk City, Oklahoma, last weekend.
Mrs. Churchwell, of Elk City, Okla., has returned home after visiting relatives in this community.
Miss Bernice Hartzog of Clovis spent the weekend in the Lee Sudderth home.
Mr. and Mrs. John West, Mrs. Bill Sudderth and son made a trip to Wichita Falls, Friday, to visit Loren West.
Mrs. E. A. Berry has returned home from a Clovis hospital.
Ed Hughs is recuperating at home after spending several weeks in Memorial Hospital in Clovis. His sister, Betty June, has sufficiently recovered from pneumonia to be up.
Little Jerry Primrose of Amarillo is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Primrose.
The young people's meeting, a sing-song with the Pickering family as guests, was well attended Sunday. The Pickering family began a singing school here Monday evening.

SANTA FE CARLOADINGS

Santa Fe System carloadings for the week ending April 10, 1943, were 21,700 compared with 20,192 for the same week in 1942. Cars received from connections totaled 11,952 compared with 8,815 for the same week in 1942. Total cars moved were 33,652 compared with 29,007 for the same week in 1942. Santa Fe handled a total of 34,868 cars in the preceding week of this year.

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FOR SALE—About 5 Shorthorn heifers, also some bull calves. 3 miles east, 7 north of Muleshoe. F. F. Wenner. 20-3tp

LOST—Motley-faced heifer calf, branded D bar on left hip. Gordon Duncan, Lazbuddy. 20-3tp

FOR SALE—Chinese Elm trees, ranging from sprouts to 12-ft. Come and get them at low prices. E. E. Booth. Farwell. 20-3tp

FOR SALE—350 bu. soy bean planting seed, recleaned, 97% germination test. Tom Foster, 12 mi. east Farwell. 20-3tp

FOR SALE—Four-room modern house, with bath and full basement, located in Farwell. See Pat Terry, Farwell. 20-3tp

FOR SALE—Thrifty weaning pigs, mixed Poland-China and Hampshire. Bob Williams, Texico. 21-2tc

LOST—Truck tarp, between W. J. Sides and Bovina, Sat.; size 10x12, Reward, F. M. Eason, Farwell. 22-3tp

LOST—Doctor's instrument for ear examination, small, shiny. Return to Dr. V. Scott Johnson, Farwell.

FOR SALE—My business building and fixtures in Farwell. Would consider terms. Perry Williams. 1tp

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Williams returned to Farwell Tuesday after spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends in Oklahoma City and Comanche, Texas.

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FOR SALE—Farmall tractor, good condition, good dual tires. 5 1/2 mil. NE Farwell. Frank Burnett. 22-3tp

Sorghum Varieties Are Named For This Area

CANYON — "Plainsmen, Martin and Caprock grain sorghums are recommended as satisfactory West Texas varieties for combined use," says Professor Frank R. Phillips, head of the Agriculture Department at West Texas State College.
Experiments carried out by D. L. Jones, superintendent of the Lubbock experiment station, over a number of years indicate that these varieties meet West Texas demands, and it is suggested that for best results they be planted the last of May or the first of June, because July plantings have not proved satisfactory at the Lubbock station in the past. Although it is possible for them to mature in casual years when planted in July, such plantings are not

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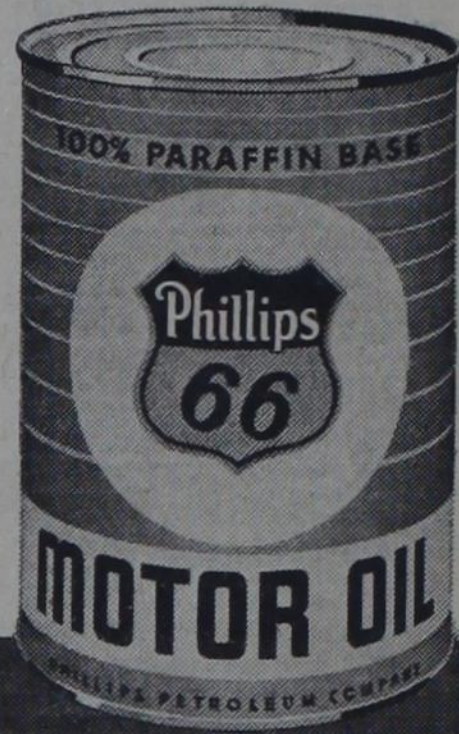


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Both Plainsmen and Caprock are selections from a cross—a double drawf kaffir and drawf yellow milo made at the Lubbock station. Martin is a selection out of Wheatland, which in turn was a cross between kaffir and milo made at the Woodward Experiment Station and distributed in 1931.

Martin has fewer leaves and a more slender stalk and is said by some to be resistant to lodging. The height of the plants are about the same—a little less than three feet. Martin matures in 103 to 107 days; Plainsmen takes 108 to 120 days, and Caprock matures in 124 to 151 days. The 1940 and 1941 yields at the Lubbock Station were Martin 33 to 38; Plainsmen 38 to 43, and Caprock 30 to 42.

Incentive Payments On Vegetables, Spuds

John G. McFarland, chairman of the county ACA committee and county war board, advises that word has just been received from the state office to the effect that incentive payments will be offered this year on Irish potatoes and fresh vegetables only.

Information states that the support price on other commodities will be increased to take care of previously proposed incentive payments.

HIGHEST DAM

Highest masonry dam in the world is Roosevelt Dam in Arizona, which was dedicated by Theodore Roosevelt in 1911.

BOVINA NEWS

Graduation Planned

Local graduation plans were laid recently. Commencement program is to be held May 14, with all-seniors participating.

Debate Held

The intermediate speech class presented a debate Friday. Question: Resolved: Small high schools have a better opportunity than large high schools. On the affirmative were Mary Cherry and Erskine Pike; negative, Paul Smith and Dorothy Rhodes. The negative was awarded

the decision. Judges were Pauline Hopingardner, Juanita Bishop and Jimmie Charles.

C of C

The C. of C met Monday night to enjoy a war movie put on by Mr. Cherry. A quarterly financial report was read by Jack Hammond. The next program, April 26, was discussed, and it was voted to hold a luncheon, with meat rationing being the important consideration. Cooperation with the cemetery association in getting the cemetery worked and the well finished was taken up. The groups will meet and work out the plans.

Piano Recital

Mrs. E. T. Caldwell will present the following students in recital April 18 at the Methodist church, at 5

o'clock: Lera Duel Cherry, Royline Hawkins, Betty Charles Jefferson, Patsy Walker, Jerry and Leon Ware, Connie Jean Eberting and June Gay Looney, assisted by Patricia Cherry.

Mrs. Byron Dial was called to Rochester, Monday, by the illness of her father.

Mrs. Grady Whitt and children spent the weekend in Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lorimer and Mr. and Mrs. Otis White, all of Amarillo, were weekend visitors here.

Miss Peggy Moning of Amarillo visited Mrs. Jersig over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Venable announce the arrival of a grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hance of Clovis Monday, April 12.

Mrs. J. R. Glover underwent a major operation in Clovis, Thursday. She is doing nicely.

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Local Happenings

Barbara Foster Will Be Guest Of Honor

Miss Barbara Foster, Oklahoma Lane 4H Club girl who won the Farmer County Gold Star award for her work in 1942, will be honored at an informal reception, Saturday afternoon when all county 4H clubbers are guests at the Methodist church in Friona, with the demonstration council as hostesses.

The program, according to Miss Elsie Cunningham, will feature a number of 4H club girls of the county. Visiting speaker will be Rev. Paxton Smith of the Friona Congregational Church, who will present the second in a series of talks on the Atlantic Charter.

The afternoon program is to begin at 2:30, and Miss Cunningham today urged that all demonstration club women, 4H club girls and their mothers make it a point to attend.

Farwell Group Will Have Chicken Fry

Supplanting the usual formal banquet, a strictly informal chicken fry will be sponsored by members of the FFA department of the Farwell school on Friday evening, at which time fathers of the boys will be honored.

T. A. McCuiston, director, in announcing the affair, stated that a program was being arranged but was not yet complete. The evening will begin in the gymnasium of the school at 8:30, and approximately 75 members and guests are expected to attend.

Mrs. O. B. Pipkin and son, Donald Joe, who have been in Amarillo with Mr. Pipkin for several weeks, have returned to their home in Farwell for an indefinite stay.

Hines-Drager Rites Read In Clovis

Miss Virginia Hines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hines of this city, became the bride of Andries Drager, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Drager of Friona, on Monday, April 12th.

The single ring ceremony was read by Rev. Karl Keller, Lutheran pastor, in his home in Clovis at 6:30, with Rev. Reis and Rev. Rudolph Weiser as witnesses.

For her wedding costume, the bride chose an attractive stress dress of navy, accented with touches of white.

Mrs. Drager is a senior student at the Farwell school and will continue her work until graduation this spring. Mr. Drager has been employed in farming near Friona. They plan to reside in Farwell until Mr. Drager leaves for Army induction.

Marriage Announced

Mrs. T. E. Lovelace is this week announcing the marriage of her daughter, Merle, to Jimmie Clements, the ceremony being performed on January 1. Clements has been recently commissioned in the Air Force, it is understood, and the couple is living as San Bernardino, Calif. Mrs. Clements is well known here, and is a graduate of the local school.

To Visit Son

Mrs. M. C. Roberts plans to leave here Friday for Pueblo, Colo., to spend a few days with her son, Lt. Bill Roberts, who is stationed there. Mrs. Howard Lindsey will accompany her as far as Raton, N. M., where she will visit a son.

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NEWS FROM OUR BOYS IN CAMPS



LORENZ GAST HOME FROM ISLANDS

Visiting this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gast is their son, Cpl. Lorenz Gast, who arrived in the states a few days ago after having spent the past six months on duty in the Hawaiian Islands.

"Shorty", as he is familiarly known to friends here, is on a 20-day furlough, during which time he expects to visit in Big Spring, where he was employed before being inducted into the service.

Deeply bronzed and considerably heavier than when he left for Army duty, Shorty reports that he likes life in Hawaii, in fact going so far as to say he would enjoy living there in normal times. Although confined principally to duties while in the Islands, he brought back some interesting souvenirs and a collection of anecdotes of life there.

The trip back to the States was made in four and one-half days, Gast reports, and although he denies being seasick, he adds, "I did get a little woozy at times".

Following his furlough, he is to report for duty at San Francisco and hopes to be kept in the States for a time.

THORNTON HERE

Ensign William Thornton, Navy flyer, was here the past week on a brief visit, being called by the death of his grandmother. He left the last of the week for Jacksonville, Fla., where he is stationed.

GETS PROMOTION

Barney Dean (Dick) Crume writes relatives from Camp Gruber, Okla., that he has received his first stripe and now holds a Pfc. rating. Dick is in service with an M. P. group.

VISITS RELATIVES

Pvt. Mitz Walling, stationed at Sheppard Field, Texas, was here on a weekend pass for a visit with his wife and other relatives and friends.

HERE FROM CHICAGO

Lt. Curtis Evans, one of Farmer county's first VOC officers and former superintendent of the Oklahoma Lane school, was here with his wife the first of the week visiting friends. Lt. Evans is stationed in Chicago doing special work, and reports that he is very well pleased with his set-up in military life. Mrs. Butler is living in Oklahoma at present.

HAS OPERATION

Pfc. William Jefferson (Bill) Banks, who is now stationed in Hawaii, writes that he is just recovering from an appendix operation.

NO RATIONING HERE

Pvt. Mansell Cranfill, who received his call only recently after enlisting last July, writes from Camp Peary, Va., that he is now in boot camp—"not for long, I hope". He adds that nothing is rationed there, "plenty of pop, ice cream and candy at cost".

ROBERTS MOVES AGAIN

Lt. Bill Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Roberts of this city, has recently been moved from Pyote, Texas, to Pueblo, Colorado.

Senior Play Draws Good Crowd, Friday

A large crowd was on hand the past Friday evening at the Farwell auditorium, when members of the 1943 senior class presented their annual play, this time a comedy in three acts entitled, "When Jane Takes A Hand".

All members of the cast were well chosen for their respective roles and turned in creditable performances. The plot was concerned with the attempt of Jane Dare (Betty Jo Gilson) to recover the deed to a gold mine belonging to her father (Archie Hamm) and as usual, love and justice prevailed in the end.

Taking parts were Billie Sharpe, Maxine Justice, Twila Strickland, Joe Lindsay, Dorothy Cassidy, Robert Moore, Jewel Casady, Reva Mae Stewart, Henry White, Champ Landrum, A. J. and Archie Hamm and Betty Jo Gilson.

Certificates Are Issued

Nine certificates were issued to Sunday School workers of the local Methodist Church the past weekend, following completion of a special training course conducted by G. A. Schlueter, executive secretary.

Miss Ivy Park, of Los Angeles, Calif., has arrived here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Park.

Ladies Report Good Meeting, Littlefield

Parmer county club women who were in attendance at the District 2 convention of the Texas Home Demonstration Association, held the past Saturday in Littlefield, reported today that it was one of the most instructive meetings of recent years.

Stressing the importance of club work, Mrs. O. R. Copeland, as vice president, gave her report by introducing "Mrs. T. H. D. A." and her "daughters" and "granddaughters", through which means the various counties made their reports. Mrs. W. P. Nittler, representing this county, outlined the work done by Parmer clubs in sponsoring the equipping of recreation rooms at the Clovis Army camp.

Special visitors of the day included the state president, Mrs. W. G. Kennedy; district agent, K. J. Edwards; district demonstrator Kate Adele Hill, and Helen Swift, rural organization specialist.

In the business meeting, Mrs. C. W. Shaffer of Dawson county and Mrs. A. D. Parker of Swisher county were endorsed as district 2 candidates for vice-presidency.

Attending from Parmer were Mesdames Joe Jesko, O. W. Rhinehart, Reagan Looney, Will Parker, Buren Vassey, A. H. Boatman, W. P. Nittler, W. E. Bonds and Miss Elsie Cunningham, demonstration agent.

Honor Roll Given For Texico School

The following honor roll has been released at the Texico school for the past six weeks:

First: Nita Nell Paul, Nancy Johnson, Catherine Bell, Kenneth Allred, Gail Groves, Wanda Boone, J. B. Taylor.

Second: Edith Doolittle, Esther McDaniel, Peggy Roberts, Jean Klee-man, Doris Lavell, Norma Ruth Wright, Earl McDaniel Paula Sue Arnold.

Third: Ailene Wassom, Vernon Lewis, Neva Sparks, Bobbie Williams, Margie Reid, Wilma Neil Smith, Billy Nadine Kleeman, Margery Boone Gayle Doolittle, Jo Ann Rogers.

Fourth: Glenn Odom Smith, Mary Rose Baca, Joyce Caldwell, Thomas Duran, Jerry Roberts, Robert Roberts, Violet Curry, W. O. Reid, D. J. Brown.

Fifth: Murl Kleeman, Ina Mae Thornton.

Sixth: Alta Fay Martin, Peggy Rogers, Jean Rogers, Delphine Johnson, Glenice Miller.

Seventh: Alice Lee Crow, Margie Nell Murphy.

Eighth: Mildred Murphy, James Paul, Marvin Doolittle.

Freshmen: Evelyn and Beryl Brown.

Sophomores: Edna Mae Caldwell, Peggy Caillouet.

Junior: James Orval Francis.

Seniors: Bettie Lee Mouser, Pearl Martin.

Bought any war stamps today?

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to convey our heartfelt and sincere appreciation to our many friends who were so kind and considerate of us during the long illness and death of our loved one. We never lacked for a thing that you could render, and for that kindly consideration we owe you, each of you, a debt of gratitude.

Ray Ford and Children

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Magness and granddaughter, Phyllis Ann Magness, were visitors in Friona the past Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Therese Hancock of Lubbock visited friends and relatives here the past weekend.

Miss Jean Ann Hart and Miss Peggy Williams made a trip to Lubbock, Sunday to visit the former's mother, who is confined in a hospital there for treatment.

C. E. Crume and son, Bill, were visitors in Roswell over the weekend. On their return they were accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Hayden Cason, who will spend a few days here before going to Rome, N. Y., to join her husband, stationed there in the Army.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones of Amarillo spent Sunday visiting with her sister, Mrs. J. T. Carter, and family, in Farwell.

Mrs. T. E. Hall departed Sunday for San Diego, California, for a visit with her son, recently returned from overseas service.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Terry spent the weekend visiting with relatives and friends in Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kistler and family have moved here from Muleshoe and have taken up residence in Texico.

Mrs. G. W. Davis and son, Bill and Miss Loraine Tucker, all of Clovis, were Sunday evening visitors with friends in Farwell.

Mrs. V. Scott Johnson and children were business visitors in Amarillo, Saturday.

Mrs. W. S. Anglin, of Tahoka, Texas, arrived here the past weekend to spend several days with her daughter, Miss Hazel, in Farwell, and her son and family in Clovis. She will leave for her home today (Wednesday).

Mrs. Charles Nelms and daughters who had visited here for several days, have returned to their home in Lubbock.

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FARMING TALK

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GARLON A. HARPER
County Agricultural Agent
Texas A. & M. Extension Service

Last week we listed some common ailments for cattle and some of the home remedies that can be used. Again, I want to advise anyone who has a very serious case of disease trouble with livestock which he does not understand to call a veterinarian. Of course there is no occasion to call a vet with some of the simple troubles we commonly have.

This week we will discuss some of the common poultry ailments and treatments.

Coccidiosis

Usually affects chicks 3 weeks old or over. General weakness, listlessness, drooping wings, and bloody droppings. TREATMENT: Up to 30% of ration in milk or use as high as 10% ration in sulphur for a few days. Avoid moisture of all kinds during outbreak. Prevent with 2½% ration in sulphur.

Mycosis

Usually affects adult birds which have access to bad grains or other spoiled foods or water. Birds weak and generally unthrifty. Whitish ulcers and false membranes in crop and gizzard. Surface tissues of these organs may have turkish towel appearance. TREATMENT: Avoid damp and moldy foods. Give 1 tablespoon of stock solution composed of ¼ lb. bluestone and 1 qt. vinegar in 1 gallon water fed in non-metal container for 5 days.

Rickets

This is a vitamin deficiency disease which usually occurs in chicks. Birds usually lame, bones soft, hocks enlarged, and walk in stilted manner. TREATMENT: Correct vitamin D deficiency by cod liver oil, direct sunlight, or some other source of vitamin D.

Vitamin A Deficiency

This usually occurs in growing birds, which appear to have a common cold. Paleness, weakness, and anemia appear. No odor as with other respiratory diseases. TREATMENT: Supply vitamin A through yellow corn, alfalfa leaf meal, green feeds and fish oils.

Fowl Pox

This disease produces very characteristic scabs on head and comb. TREATMENT: for individual birds having pox is doubtful. Immediately isolate infected birds and vaccinate all birds. Prevention is best cure. Vaccinate pullets before they start laying. An easy manner of vaccination is to use machine needles placed in a cork so that the eye of the needles may be dipped in vaccine and punched through web of the wing.

Bacterial Roup

This disease is very similar to vitamin A deficiency with the exception that bacterial roup produces a foul odor. TREATMENT: Use sanitation to avoid spreading. Isolate all infected birds. Vaccinate all birds. Spray infected birds night and morning with poultry spray containing formaldehyde and eucalyptus.

Limberneck

This disease is usually spread by bacteria found in maggots or decomposed flesh. Avoid by keeping chicken yards clean of such accumulations. TREATMENT: give birds Epsom Salts at rate of 1 lb. to 100

County Plan Sheet Signup Nears Close

John B. Martin, of the local AAA office, stated today that the 1943 farm plan sheet signup in Parmer county is drawing to a close, with approximately 90 farms to be tabulated. Martin states that the results of the signup campaign have been very gratifying, and that information obtained on the sheets to date has been tabulated on a county basis.

Information regarding county totals of various crops, the tabulation showing the needs of barb wire, woven wire, poultry wire, and the summary of machinery needs of different items has been submitted to the state office. This in turn will be routed to WPB for consideration in appropriating additional raw materials for the manufacture of vitally needed implements and machines.

Soy Bean Goal Exceeded

Martin states that the county soybean and war crop goal has been greatly exceeded. However, he says, the county soybean goal is a "minimum" and he asks that all producers who will plant as much acreage as possible to this vital crop, as the bean has many uses necessary to both civilian and military needs.

The county summary of grain sorghums on those farms reporting indicates that there is a probability that this goal of 140,570 acres may not be met, since 92% of the farms reporting show only a goal of 97,498 acres. However, Martin believed that this acreage will be considerably increased, since practically all the 19,000 acres planted to barley has been killed by the freeze, and the land may be used for grain sorghums.

The county committee requests that those producers who have not executed the 1943 plan sheet do so as soon as possible, as the local office is to submit a final report to the state office by May 1. Martin expressed his appreciation to the county producers for their cooperation in the signup.

CREAM SEPARATORS ARE NO LONGER RATIONED

Announcement has been recently made that cream separators, under county quota restrictions for some time, are no longer to be classified under quotas, although it will be necessary for a purchase certificate to be issued before prospective buyers can obtain such machinery.

Applicants wishing to buy separators must locate them in the hands of dealers and give a statement to that effect with their application to the county farm machinery rationing committee, by whom purchase certificates are issued.

Fencing Materials Also Exempt

Rationing ban was also discontinued recently of farm fencing. Purchasers need no longer file applications, nor is it necessary that materials be located in the hands of dealers. Any person needing such material may merely purchase it as he desires.

mature birds, given in drinking water.

Most of our poultry troubles can be avoided by SANITATION, PROPER FEEDING and not overcrowding in brooder and laying houses.

Locals Attend Track Meet at Fort Sumner

Representatives from House, Melrose, Floyd, Texico and Fort Sumner participated in an invitation track and field meet held the past Saturday in Fort Sumner, as the "Fox Relays", traditional sport event of the school, was staged.

Coach C. E. Sanders of Texico, reporting the meet, stated that the entire affair was exceptionally close, with the schools tallying up the following points: House, 59½; Fort Sumner, 51; Melrose, 49½; Texico, 41, and Floyd, 10.

One of the hottest events of the day was the 880-yard run in the junior division, in which Marvin Doolittle and a Melrose boy ran a dead heat around the track, breaking the tape at the same time for a tie. In the excitement, stop watches were neglected, and no time was available.

Placements taken by the local boys in the senior division included: Mile run: H. Doolittle, 1st (5:30), Drace, 2nd.

Half mile: H. Doolittle, 2nd; Drace, 3rd.

Relay: Texico, 4th (Drace, Bowers, H. Doolittle, Box).

Discus: Bowers, 1st, 109 ft.

Javelin: Bowers, 2nd; Lewis, 5th.

High hurdles: Bowers, 3rd.

Shot: Brooks, 3rd; Lewis, 4th.

Pole vault: Lewis, 3rd.

In the junior division of the meet, Texico winners were:

880-yard run: M. Doolittle, tied for 1st.

100-yard run: Doolittle, 3rd; Baker, 4th.

50-yard run: Baker, 3rd.

Shot: Baker, 3rd; Paul, 6th.

Low hurdles: Baker, 5th.

Melrose Is Host To Curry Track Meet

On Saturday of this week, April 17, the Melrose school will be host to the Curry county track and field meet, with representatives from the various schools assembling to start the events at 10:30 (Central time).

In making the announcement, the local coach, C. E. Sanders, stated that due to the fine showing made by his boys at the Fort Sumner invitation meet last weekend, he was expecting even more of them when county honors are at stake.

Entrants in the senior division he listed as follows:

100-yard run: Bowers, Box, Boone, Baker, Francis, Doolittle.

220-yard run: Box, Boone, Francis, White, Brooks.

440-yard run: Box, White.

880-yard run: Drace, Doolittle, Baker, Francis, Brooks, Miller, Freeman.

Mile run: Drace, Doolittle, Miller, Freeman.

Relay: Bowers, Drace, Doolittle, Box, Francis.

High hurdles: Bowers, Drace, Martin.

Low hurdles: Doolittle, Box, Baker, White.

Broad jump: Bowers, Box, Boone, Brooks, White.

High jump: Drace, Lewis.

Vault: Lewis.

Javelin: Bowers, Lewis.

Discus: Bowers, Lewis.

Shot: Lewis, Brooks, Paul.

Bill Johnson is also to be in the local group, Sanders stated, to serve as utility man.

Grade Meet

All boys under 16 years of age may be entered in the grade division of the meet, Sanders said, adding that Texico would be represented.

M. Doolittle is slated to carry the colors in most of the speed events while Hall will specialize in field contests. Glover is expected to enter both track and field, and Paul will go in for the weight division.

NEW ROOF FOR GYM

The New Mexico Roofing and Sheet Metal Company of Clovis received a contract on Monday evening of this week from the Texico school board for the re-roofing of the school gymnasium. Work is scheduled to start in the near future.

Lower Point Values Established by OPA

Point values of sausage products and certain pork cuts were slashed during the weekend by the OPA.

Justification of the cut was given by OPA in the announcement that such foods were perishable, and under original point values had not been moving rapidly enough to prevent spoilage.

The soft types of sausage and baked loaves were affected by the cut, while dry and semi-dry products were retained at the same point level. The action became effective at midnight Sunday.

Pork sausage, wieners, bologna, baked loaves and liver sausage are now set at six points per pound (instead of seven) when no non-meat filler is used. When such filler is used, the point value goes down to five points per pound. Products affected may be fresh, smoked or cured.

Neck and backbones dropped from two to one points per pound, while chitterlings now take two points rather than four.

Buffalo Lake Will Open on May 1st

May 1st has been set as official opening day at Buffalo Lake, and plans are already underway to provide various types of entertainment to the crowd expected on hand at that time.

An Army atmosphere, prevalent in practically all types of entertainment this year, will likewise be featured at the opening of the "Playground of the Southwest" which is free to everyone.

Lt. Bruce Curry of Lubbock has been assigned to Amarillo by Col. M. B. Durette to work with Army officers of the Amarillo area in arranging a lake program for the public. On Tuesday of this week Lt. Curry and officers from the Amarillo Field made a trip to the lake to lay out plans for the gala opening.

Interesting features of the Army will be stressed in the program, Col. Durette states, and he is attempting to have an amphibian jeep on hand for the occasion.

Prizes are being offered by the concessionaire, Mrs. Jim Golding, on the fishing side of the entertainment. To the person catching the biggest bass on opening day will go a \$25 war bond. A free week's cabin rental is also offered to the person snagging the largest crappie and catfish on opening day.

PUBLIC NOTICE

It has been called to our attention that there is some hog cholera scattered about in Parmer County. It has also been reported that some people, not thinking, and not knowing the law, have been throwing dead pigs along the roadside bar pits, especially west of Bovina. This could scatter the disease among other herds not yet affected. Those who lose hogs from this or any other contagious disease should burn or bury the carcass to prevent further spread of the disease, rather than throwing them out along the roadside.

Dr. J. M. McCUAN,
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Summer Session Opens At Canyon on May 27

CANYON—Wartime education is a never-ending process, and the summer session of West Texas State College will offer courses for beginning freshmen and second semester freshmen in addition to regular work.

Other classes will include accelerated courses which permit an entire year's work in business subjects to be done in the 15-week summer session. The session will permit students to carry a full semester load. Terms will be of nine weeks and six weeks.

The summer session will open May 27 and close Sept. 4. The nine-week term, however, will close July 27 and the second, or six-week term, will start on the following day.

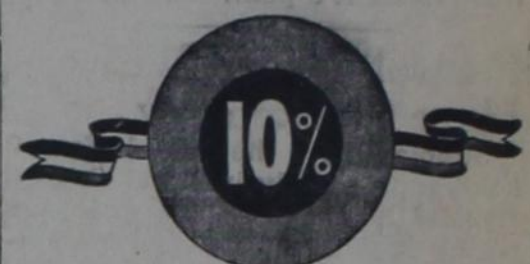
Many courses will be designed for men and women who wish "refresher" courses to permit them to teach in public schools during the wartime scarcity of instructors. Many classes may be entered for fractional credits of one or two semester hours. The teacher shortage continues to grow more critical in the Panhandle.

The summer session also will offer much work for those wishing to prepare for jobs in defense plants and for young men who need work in mathematics, industrial arts, and

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47 oz. (23 points) each 39c
- VAN CAMP'S TENDERONI
Cooks in 7 minutes, three 10c pkgs. 25c
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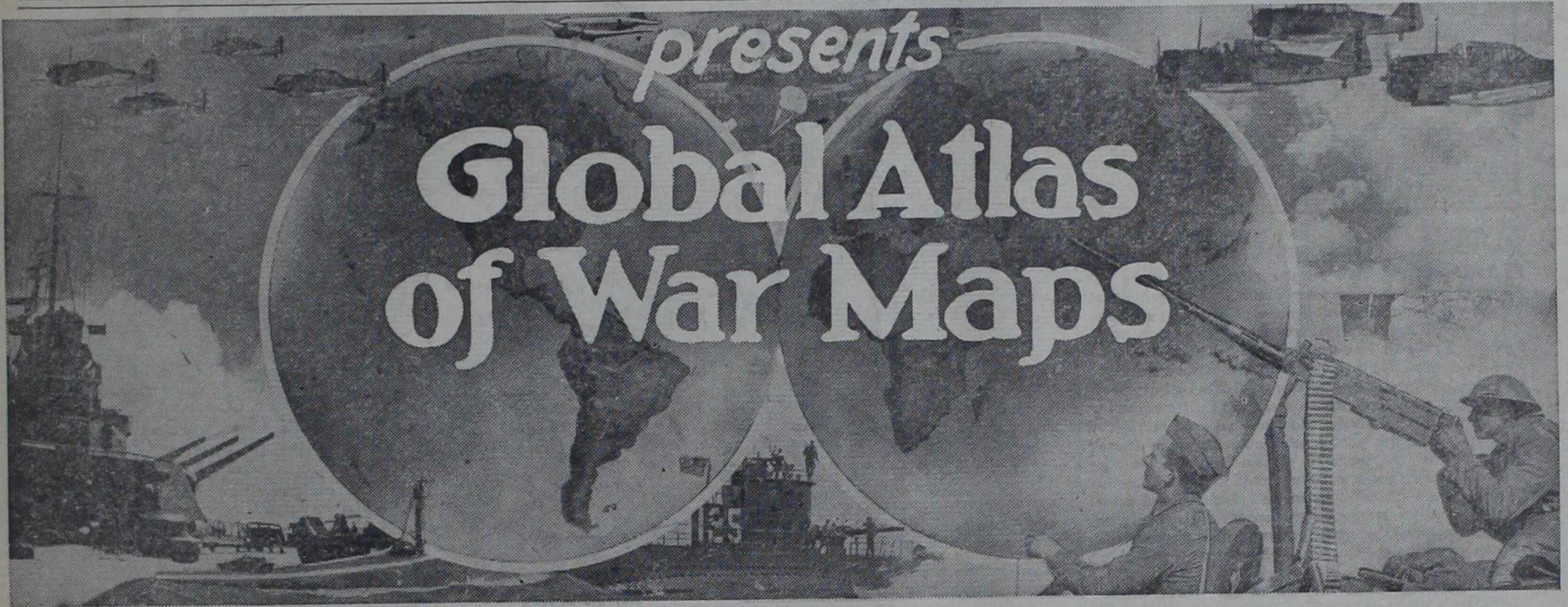
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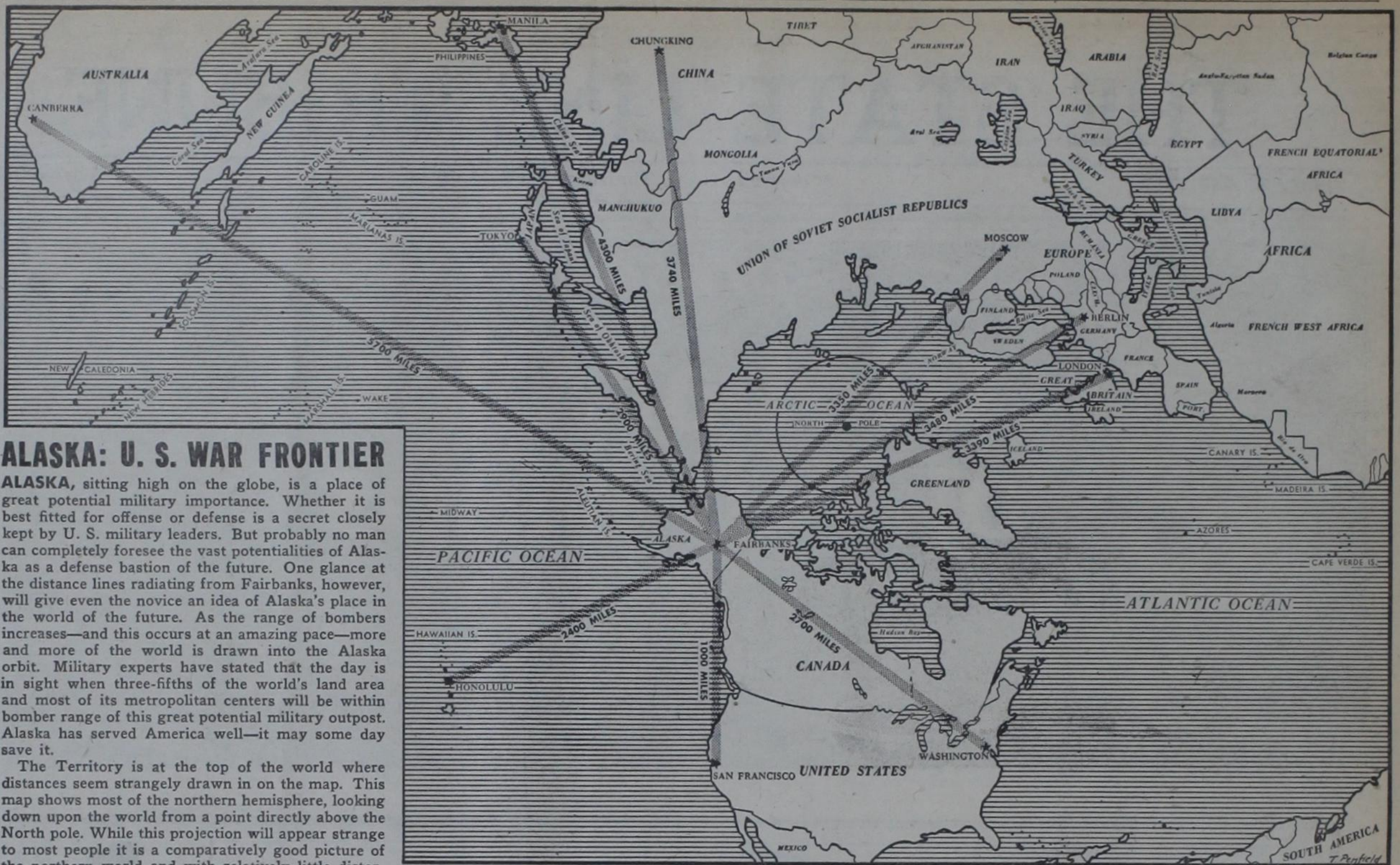
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ALASKA, sitting high on the globe, is a place of great potential military importance. Whether it is best fitted for offense or defense is a secret closely kept by U. S. military leaders. But probably no man can completely foresee the vast potentialities of Alaska as a defense bastion of the future. One glance at the distance lines radiating from Fairbanks, however, will give even the novice an idea of Alaska's place in the world of the future. As the range of bombers increases—and this occurs at an amazing pace—more and more of the world is drawn into the Alaska orbit. Military experts have stated that the day is in sight when three-fifths of the world's land area and most of its metropolitan centers will be within bomber range of this great potential military outpost. Alaska has served America well—it may some day save it.

The Territory is at the top of the world where distances seem strangely drawn in on the map. This map shows most of the northern hemisphere, looking down upon the world from a point directly above the North pole. While this projection will appear strange to most people it is a comparatively good picture of the northern world and with relatively little distortion above the equator. Compare the size of Greenland and the United States with the same areas on the world map in this atlas. Alaska's true position in relation to the land area of the world is best seen on this, a polar projection.

The Aleutians point like a dagger at Japan. Attu, the westernmost island, is but 2,000 miles from Tokyo. By seizing the islands Japan could point the dagger at the heart of America. Congress has belatedly appropriated millions to arm Alaska, but how this money is being spent, where the men, the guns and the planes are being dispersed and the bases are being located is a secret which the Japs would like to know. The record-breaking time in

which army engineers rushed to completion the new Alcan highway—a military road of inestimable importance—attests the value placed upon Alaska by military authorities. It is possible that you may one day drive your car over this road to the shores of Bering strait and cross by ferry to the vast Siberian wilderness of Russia. Only 56 miles of water separates Alaska and Siberia at this point, and only 16 miles separate the Russian-owned Big Diomed island from the United States' Little Diomed island. Aside from the military importance of strategic Alaska it is hard to conceive what giant industrial empires the Soviets and the United States may some day carve out of their neighboring northlands.



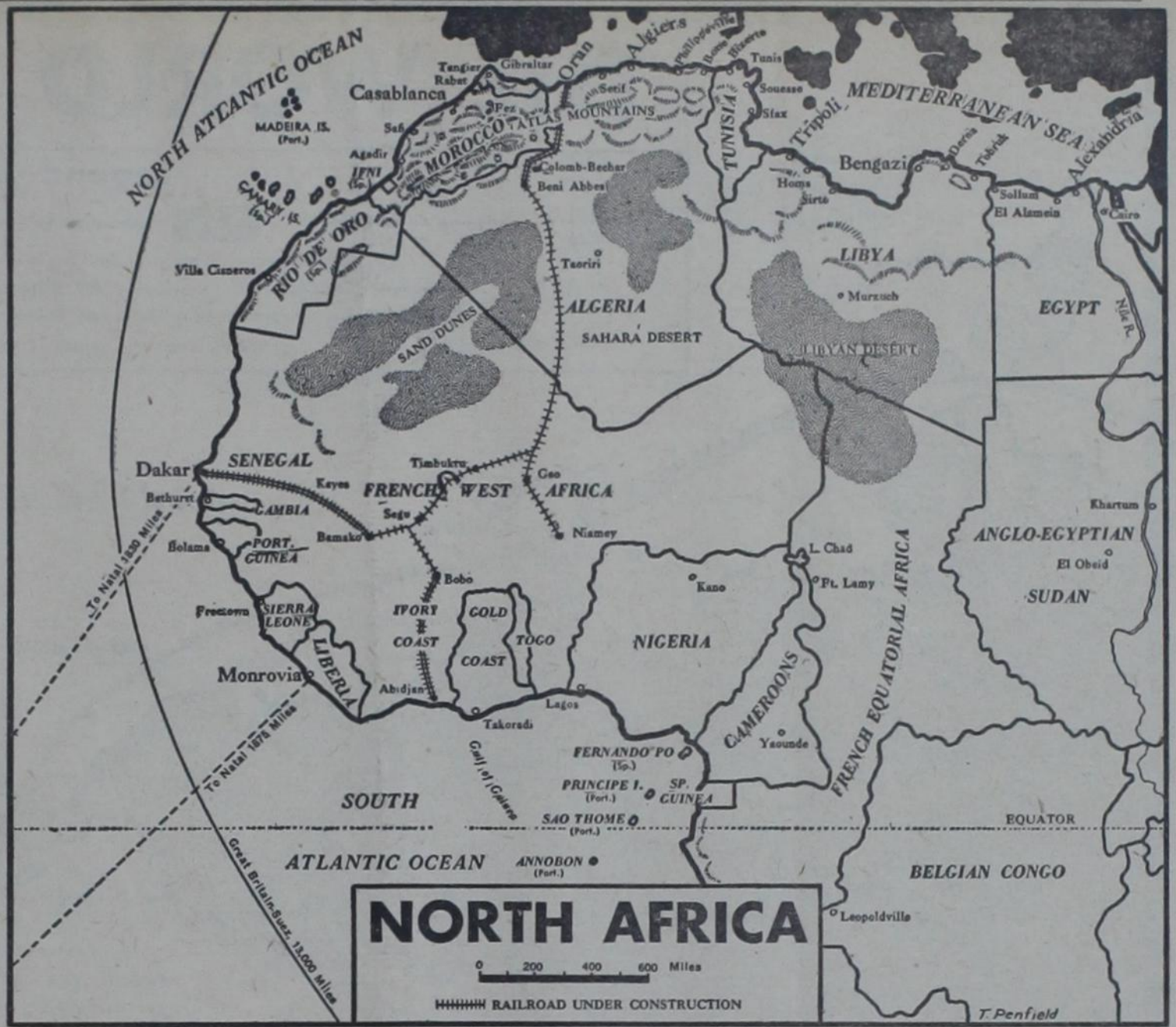
NORTH AFRICA.—The North African expedition will be written in history as one of the greatest single military overseas expeditions of all times. Carefully timed and planned it may change the whole course of the war. Fighting was negligible; it was Blitzkrieg personified. Hitler will not be defeated by the Allied conquest of North Africa, but the act will have given the Allies two tremendous advantages which have been sorely lacking: (1) Protection for Mediterranean shipping, and (2), new bases completing the semicircle of bases around Europe.

Allied air power based on North Africa will in time raise a protective "umbrella" above the Mediterranean shipping lanes and permit safe passage of that stretch of water. When this is a realization the effect upon Japan will be stunning, for then a sizeable force in India can be maintained to give the Chinese real help in driving the Japs from China. This new route will save 8,000 miles and many thousands of tons of shipping. The Middle East can be supplied and its oil brought back to Britain.

Eventually North Africa will be fringed with Allied airfields, and planes based upon them will rain death from the skies upon Southern Europe until it is softened up enough for a blow at the vulnerable part of Europe. The bases in North Africa will unquestionably be used as jumping off points for Sicily, Sardinia, Corsica, Italy, Southern France, Greece, Crete, and perhaps the Balkans, accompanied by invasions from British points.

A great deal has been said about the importance of Dakar. Only 1,830 air miles from Natal, Brazil, it has been a constant threat to the security of our Atlantic position. As an Allied base it will immeasurably strengthen our North Atlantic sea lanes and relieve the submarine menace in this area. There is no evidence that German submarines have used Dakar as an operating base, but in Hitler's control Dakar would be the equivalent of adding many new vessels to his submarine fleet. In Allied hands Dakar will cut thousands of miles from the route used for air-borne plane deliveries to the fighting fronts. It will serve as a great dispersal point for all kinds of military equipment—an advanced supply base such as established by the Allies at a secret Red sea point. The facilities of Dakar are superior to those of any West African port. The harbor is deep, well protected, and with a drydock, seaplane bases, vast petroleum storage tanks and all the other installations of a first-class naval base.

The Trans-Saharan railway has been a French dream since 1879. The section between Colomb-Bechar and Beni Abbas was completed in 1942. By 1946 it is scheduled for completion to the major river ports of Segou and Gao, tapping the vast Niger valley. The gap between Bamako and Beni Abbas is 1,500 miles. The route is largely over desert lands of shifting sands where few bridges and tunnels are required. Hitler may have dreamed of using this road in his plan to conquer South America from Dakar, and thence move northward to the United States. Now the Allies may reverse the plan.



RUSSIA.—From the icy shore of Barents sea to the snow-covered crags and peaks of the Caucasus Russia fights on a 2,500-mile long front—the longest continuous land front of World War II, and one which offers little except weather in the way of a natural defense barrier. The rich Ukraine and the iron, coal and manganese districts of the Crimea and Donetz Basin have been lost to the Germans, but the Russians fight on with the resources developed in the equally rich Magnitogorsk region. It is true that Russia has lost all of the rich wheat land of the Ukraine, but the Russians have demonstrated before that hunger does not rapidly weaken their will to resist. The loss of the Ukraine was serious, but not fatal.

Unless the Red army can be annihilated it is difficult to see how Russia can be defeated by a Germany which must guard stolen countries from the North Cape to the Mediterranean. Russia's great wall is the Ural mountains, and Russia's back is far from that wall. Russia can retire hundreds of miles. Can Hitler extend his already thin lines that distance? But Russia is determined not to retire. The Russians are peculiar in this way—a peculiarity Hitler fails to understand. "They are licked," he said a year ago, "why don't they quit?"

Roughly Germany has conquered and holds but 10% of Russian soil. Contrary to public opinion the 90% still held by the Russians is rich in natural resources and probably adequately machined. From all reports morale was never higher. The invasion of North Africa has given her relief to some measure—perhaps not as much as the Russians desire, but at least the definite assurance that greater things are on the way.



SICILY.—For many months both Germans and Italians have been battering Britain's lifeline through the Mediterranean with planes based upon strategically located Sicily. From these Sicilian fields bombers have shuttled across the 60 miles of water to blast the British base at Malta. An air-borne army has undoubtedly long been held here in anticipation of dropping in on Malta at the opportune moment. But the solid defenders of Malta have never weakened. Instead they have exacted a terrible toll of Nazi planes and pilots.

The Germans, realizing that any Allied hope of invading the soft underside of the Axis through Italy must include capture of Sicily first, have probably heavily fortified the island and garrisoned it well. Trapani, Siracusa, Catania, Messina and Palermo are all bases with good airfields. Out of them operate Axis submarines and small surface craft. Scattered over the island, which is only 125 miles long, are innumerable concealed air bases Italian in name only.

The geography of Italy forces her to be ready to defend herself from many directions, but also gives her many geographical advantages. To Sicily, Mussolini has given the task of preventing an invasion of Italy from the south. Sicily fitted well into the offensive scheme of empire which Mussolini had outlined for his country previous to the collapse of Italian armies in Egypt and the subsequent infiltration of German troops.

In World War I Italy waited until 1915 to see how events would fall. Convinced then of Allied victory, and under promises of territorial gains, Italy entered the war and received a terrific pounding from Austrians and Germans, culminating in a disastrous defeat on the Piave river. In World War II Italy was equally cautious and did not enter the war as Germany's ally against England and France until it was apparent to her military leaders that France was already shaking on her heels from German assaults. There are good reasons for this Italian caution. Italy is a poor nation with many people and little wealth. She has millions of soldiers, but little coal and iron to make weapons for them, and little will to fight to the finish. Her coast line is long and her food supply is dependent upon other countries. Italy's chief ambitions were to build a new Roman empire around the Mediterranean sea, to open the English-held door to the Atlantic at Gibraltar and by conquering Egypt and the Sudan to link up Ethiopia with Italy.



THE WORLD AT WAR

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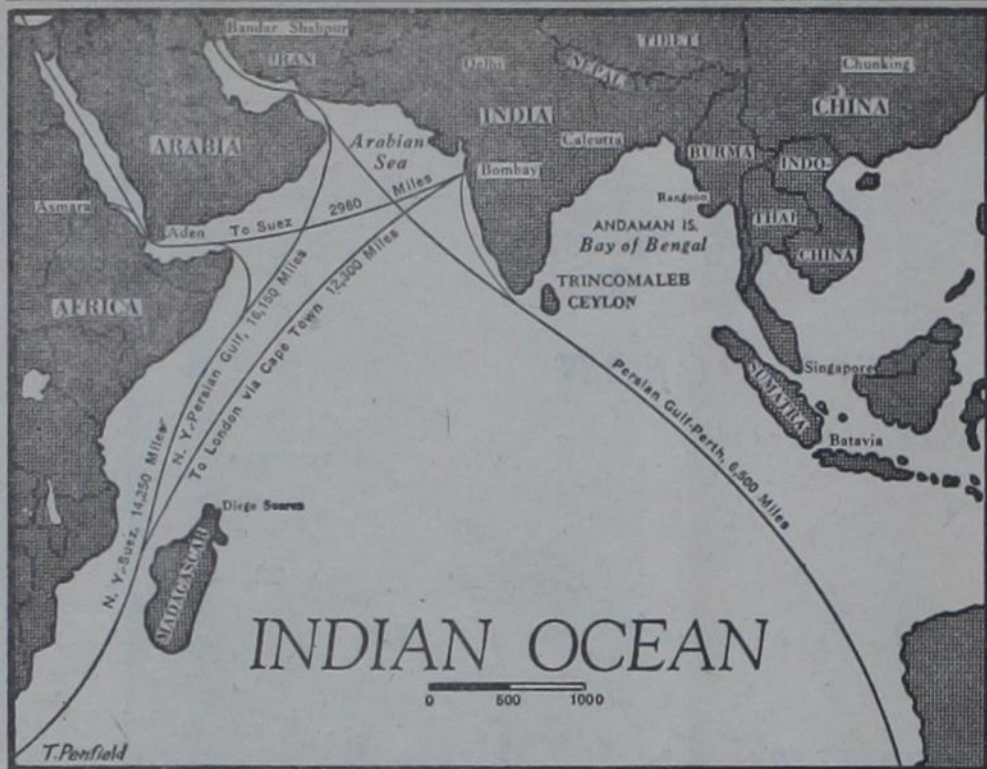
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NOTE: Russia not at war with Japan. Finland at war with Russia only.

- Sea Distance
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- Approximate Allied Supply Routes (Exact Routes Are Military Secrets)

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INDIAN OCEAN.—Two long Allied supply routes skirt the fringes of the Indian ocean. The western, and most used, route serves to supply Allied forces in the Near East and North Africa from the United States and Great Britain. Along this route, too, moves much of the Lend Lease equipment into the Persian gulf and thence on by rail and truck to Russia's southern armies. This route was secured by the British seizure of Madagascar, a step or two ahead of the Japs. With complete Allied control of the Mediterranean this route will be abandoned in favor of the shorter route through the Suez canal. The second and lesser used route is that from Australia to Bombay and the Persian gulf, handling U. S. transshipments from Australia. When and if India is invaded by Japan this route will increase in importance.

Unless the Japs can secure and establish further bases on the edge of the Indian ocean this great waterway should remain securely in control of Allied naval power. The great British Indian ocean base is at Trincomalee in Ceylon. During the low of British fortune in the Far East the Japs made one attempt to take this base or knock it out, but the British drove them off. The main Japanese bases for action in this area are Port Blair in the Andaman islands, Akyab and the huge Singapore base captured from the British at the outbreak of war in the Pacific. It is unlikely, however, that the Japanese have sufficient naval strength above that required to hold and press their South Pacific gains to attempt an Indian ocean venture in the near future. In the event that Germany is defeated before Japan—and Prime Minister Churchill has publicly hinted of this possibility—the Indian ocean will serve as Britain's path to pour troops and equipment into India and China in a huge pincers movement designed to throttle Japan.

India is naturally the key to the whole Indian ocean situation. Should the Japanese conquer India and establish bases near the entrances to the Persian gulf and Red sea they will constitute a real threat to the Russian supply lines. Such a move by Japan might force Russia, in defense of her vital supply routes, to attack Japan's puppet state of Manchukuo to relieve the danger. This in turn would open Russian bases for United States bombers to carry the war to Japan proper. The situation is full of possibilities. Japan lodged in West India would be near Moslem Arabia and only a step from Africa. By jumping across the Red sea she could attack the Allied African forces from the rear, forming with Hitler's armies a gigantic pincers movement designed to strangle the Allies.

INDIA: AXIS MEETING POINT?

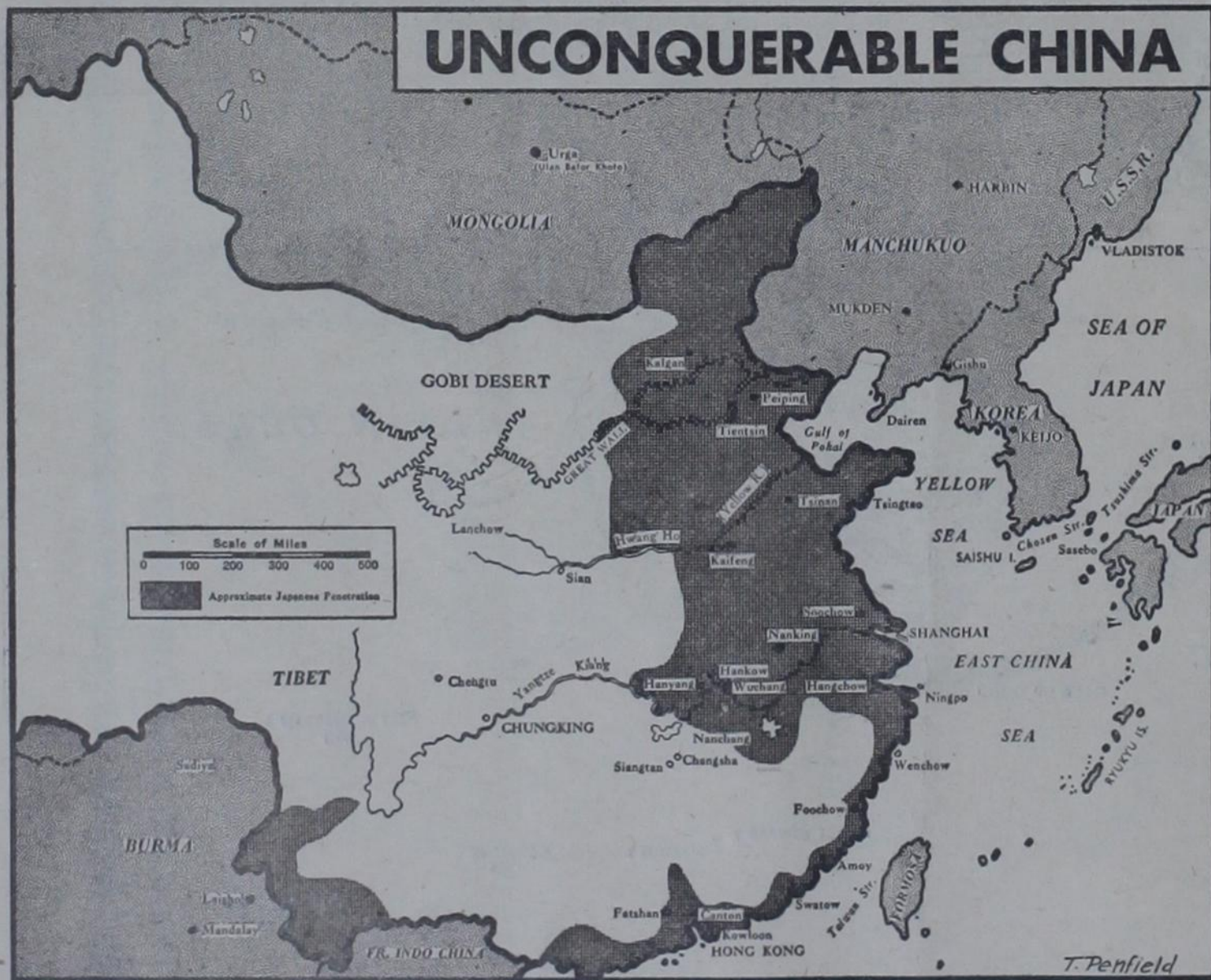


INDIA.—That India should be endangered by a power with its headquarters some 4,000 miles away is one of the wonders and dangers of modern war. But this is the prospect which India faces. The threat is deadly serious if and when Japan can release sufficient naval power from the Pacific. The imminence of Japanese invasion has tended to unify the Indian peoples, but at the same time the Indians have seized this opportune hour to demand independence from the British.

From the Japanese advance bases in Thailand (Siam), Burma and the Andaman islands, India's southeast coast is in range of Jap medium range bombers. The rest of India can be reached by long range bombers, and India's flat east coast is ideal terrain for a determined landing force. An overall Axis plan undoubtedly calls for a meeting of Jap and Nazi troops some place in teeming India. When—and if—this occurs it will indeed be a low point in the Allied fortunes of war.

Only by a conquest of India can a junction of the two Axis partners be effected, whether it be attained as a result of Japanese subjugation of the whole of Hindustan and possibly penetration even farther westward, or by a joint offensive with a German breakthrough in the Near East. In any case the resulting Axis self-sufficiency in raw materials and manufactured goods that would be the outcome of such a junction would, to say the least, prolong the war for several years. It is primarily to prevent such a catastrophe that the United Nations must hold India at all costs; but there are other scarcely less pressing considerations that serve to emphasize the strategic importance of India. The United Nations forces in the Near East, as a result of the shortage of shipping, will depend more and more on India's food production and on the many kinds of munitions and equipment that India is able to manufacture. The Allied hope of gathering a strong land force to eventually drive the Jap from China may depend upon the position of strategic India.

UNCONQUERABLE CHINA



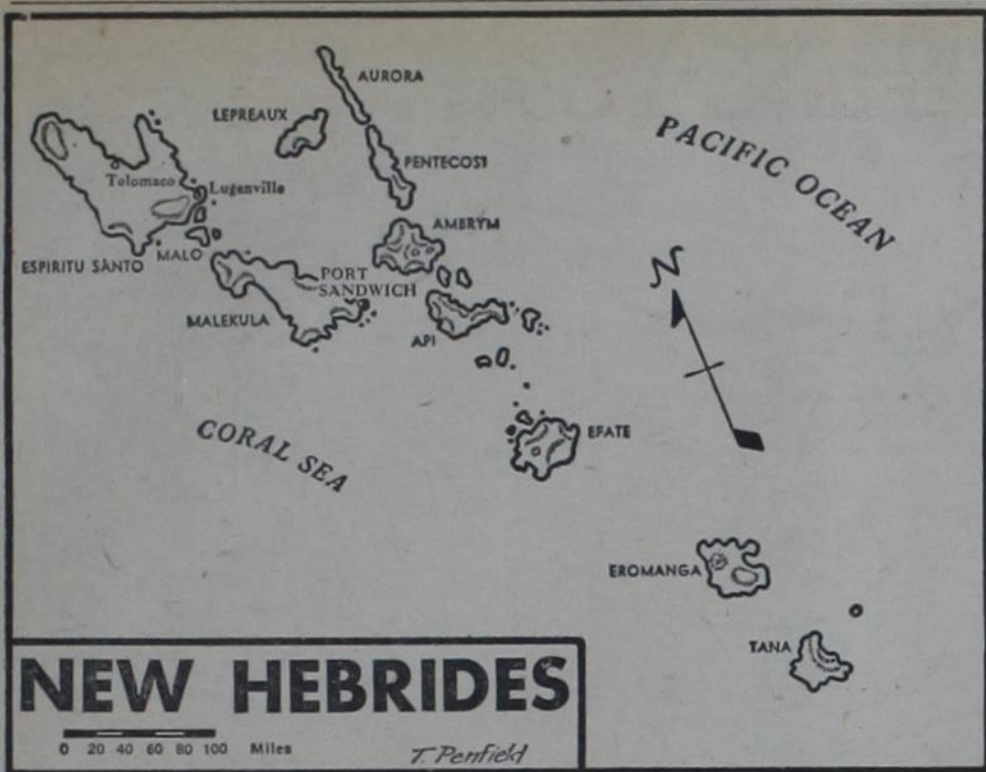
CHINA.—For five years the Chinese have been fighting back at the Japanese. Recently they have had to fight on a half-dozen different fronts. China is without any railroad to the outside world since the Jap seizure of Indo-China. There is no highway outlet from the north. The 2,500-mile road to Russia is all but useless since Russia needs every gun and shell she can get against the Germans. Material aid from the Allies has been slow—but it is coming. Yet China fights on with unflinching faith in the defensive strength of her depth.

China is the nearest and strongest base available to the United States for direct attack against Japan. If ways can be found to arm and equip her 2,000,000 soldiers and 1,000,000 reserves—send them the planes, the guns and the tanks—China may drive the Jap into the sea. The Chinese soldier is tough—and he has refused to quit. Against overwhelming odds the Chinese have materially aided the cause of the United Nations. Their resistance to the Japanese has been all the more amazing because of their lack of the modern tools of war.

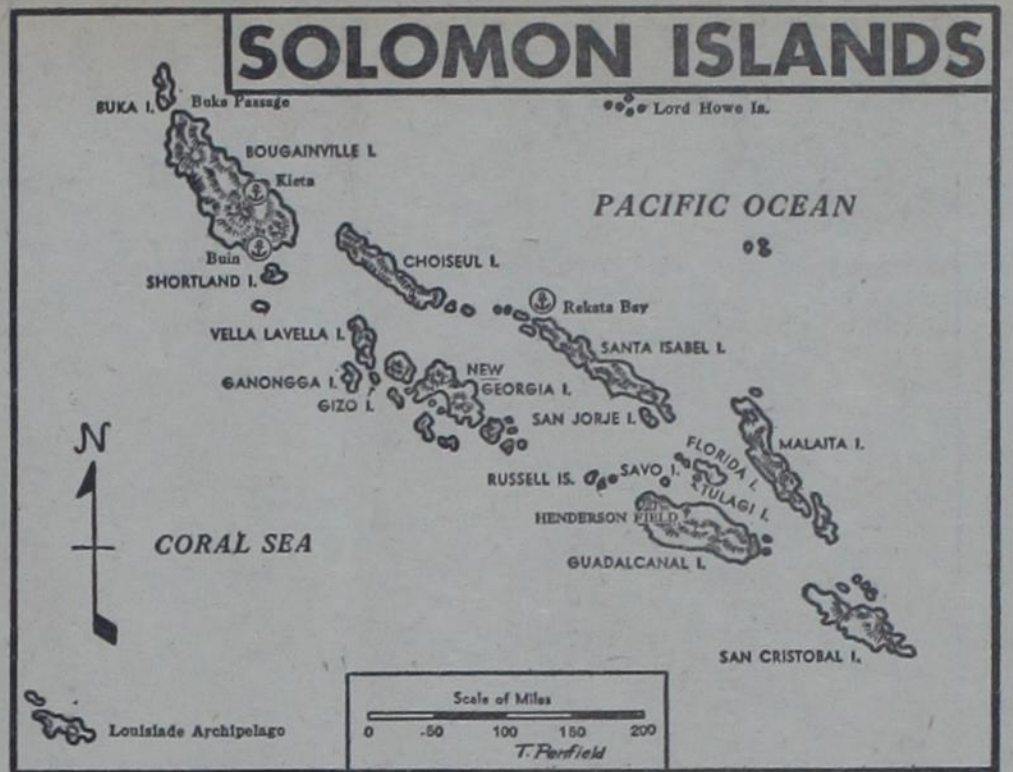
JAPAN.—This is Japan—the enemy's lair. Placed in line against the United States it would stretch roughly from Seattle to San Diego. Its greatest maximum width is 270 miles, and with an area smaller than Indiana, Oregon, New Jersey and Vermont combined, it supports almost 73,000,000 people. Four islands comprise the main group: Honshu, Hokkaido, Shikoku and Kyushu. A country of mountain ranges, frequent earthquakes, forests and small valleys, Japan depends heavily upon the sea for food and largely upon Korea to keep the rice bowls filled. There are five cities of more than 1,000,000 inhabitants: Tokyo, the capital, Osaka, Kyoto, Nagoya and Kobe.

Japan is the poorest of the world's powers (or was until she stole the riches of the Netherland Indies, Thailand, Burma and Malaya). In her own possessions she has little coal, no iron, an inhospitable climate, few strategic minerals; and a rapidly growing population on 85% non-arable land. From conquered lands she secured oil and rubber—but what Japan needs worse is iron. China has an estimated 240 billion tons of reserve iron. In the simplest terms this is why Japan and China are at war. Japanese railroads are narrow gauge, and most are single track, far behind American and European standards in carrying capacity. There are many tunnels and bridges—strategic air targets. The rivers of Japan are short and rapid, not navigable for ocean-going vessels, but they supply irrigation water and hydro-electric power. Deep snow falls on the Japan sea side of Kyushu, Honshu and Hokkaido, often reaching a depth of 25 feet, while the Pacific side of the same islands are fair with little snow. All Japan is hot in the summer, and Taiwan is unbearably so for most white men.





SOLOMON ISLANDS.—The Solomons were discovered by a Spaniard, completely forgotten, and not seen by a white man until 1568. In 1885 they were divided between Germany and Great Britain, and in 1914 they were taken over by Australia as a mandate until they were all but swallowed up in the Japanese advance. The main Jap bases are at Kieta, Buin and Rekata bay, with Buin probably the strongest and best equipped of the three. Another base was under construction at Tulagi until knocked out by Allied airmen. If the Japs are driven out of Guadalcanal their strategy will probably be to fall back on their nearest base and carry on the war from that point. Step by step, island by island, they will force the Allies to regain their stolen outposts at the greatest possible cost. That the Jap considers the Solomons of great importance is evidenced in his fanatical fight to hold them.

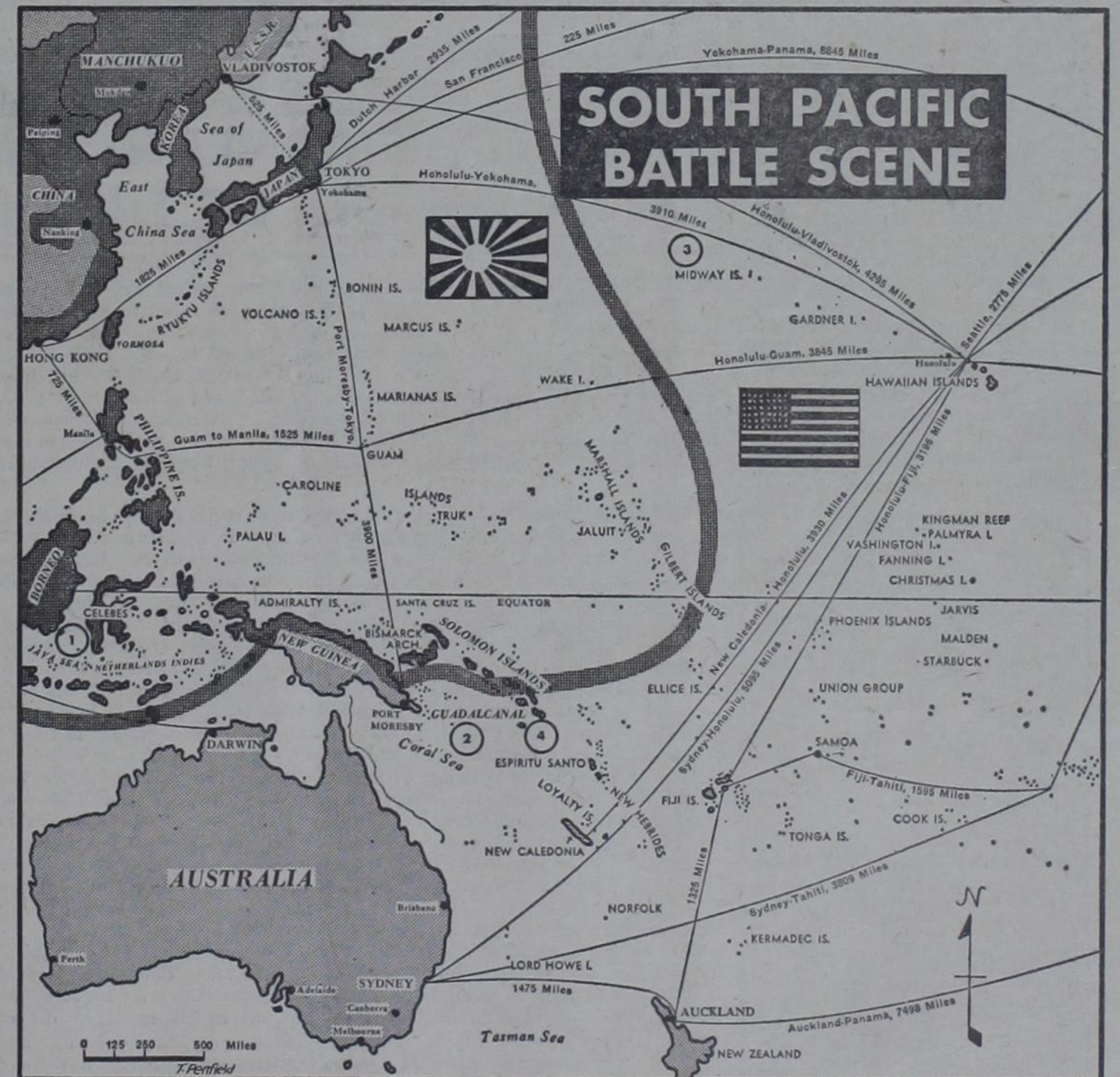


THE NEW HEBRIDES, a French and British condominium, are directly in the path of the U. S. supply line to Australia. When stopped at Guadalcanal the Japs were moving towards the New Hebrides and in their possession they would have at one and the same time severed that vital supply route and flanked Australia. With the fall of France the New Hebrides joined the Free French and eventually permitted the entry of U. S. forces and the establishment of a base at an undisclosed point on the island of Espiritu Santo. From this forward base U. S. airmen strike deep at the heart of the Japs lurking in their rapidly prepared bases in the Solomons.



NEW CALEDONIA serves as an Allied outpost and protective base along the U. S.-Australian lifeline. It was occupied first by the British and later by American forces. With Espiritu Santo, the Fijis and American Samoa it forms a huge defensive triangle through which all troops and materials for the Pacific struggle passes. Any one of these points in Japanese control would immeasurably increase our Pacific problem and prolong the war indefinitely. New Caledonia's elongated shores are reef-studded and the land is hilled and thickly wooded. Noumea is the chief port and a good port available to the Allies dangerously threatening Japan's southern flank.

GUADALCANAL is the focal point in a major struggle for control of the southwest Pacific. Its only airfield, Henderson Field, has been the vortex of this struggle since its capture by U. S. Marines August 7, 1942. The island, tropically luxurious and topped by 8,000-foot peaks, is about 90 miles long and lies at the southern extremity of Japan's 3,324-mile reach into the southern hemisphere. It can act as a springboard for either the Allies or the Japs. Its possession by Japan makes it a constant threat to the security of Australia and its vital supply lines from the United States.



NEW GUINEA.—In all military history water and mountains have proven to be man's greatest natural barriers against invasion. The Japs have found no exception to this rule in New Guinea where the difficulties of surmounting the jungle-tangled trails of the Owen Stanley Range were more than even their suicidal determination to win could overcome. From Gona and Buna the Jap tried to drive across Papua to the Australian-held base at Port Moresby. It looked as if he might succeed again, but finally disease, hunger, the terrible jungle dampness and heroic Australians beat him back.

PACIFIC BATTLE SCENE.—In this vast corner of the world's greatest ocean four great naval battles have already been fought. These have been: (1) Battle of Java sea February 27-March 1, an Allied defeat that gave Japan control of the East Indies; (2) Battle of the Coral Sea, May 4-9, an Allied victory that halted the Jap thrust at Australia and our supply line to the South Pacific; (3) Battle of Midway, June 4-6, which prevented a possible Jap invasion of the Hawaiian islands; (4) Battle of the Solomons, August 7-November 18, a series of engagements which prevented the cutting of the U. S. supply line and so upset the balance of Pacific naval power as to materially weaken Japan's position in the South Pacific area.

TURKEY BESTRIDES A HISTORIC WATERWAY



TURKEY.—In the foreground of history are the Bosphorus and the Dardanelles—two narrow necks of water which separate Asia from Europe and form the two entrances to Turkey's own private Sea of Marmara. The famous straits, key to the Black sea, have been a source of trouble since the dawn of time. And as Turkey holds this key so does she hold the key to the vast oil fields of the Near East—the Caucasus and Iran (Persia).

Hitler, unable to reach the Caucasus oil fields through Russia, may be forced to go through Turkey. Will the Turks fight? Only the Turks know the answer to this. They have been completely enigmatic, but in view of recent Russian successes at Stalingrad they may resist invasion. Turkey is the kind of a country which is ideal for tank and plane warfare—vast distances and open plains. The Turkish defense line would probably extend along the Taurus mountain range—the country's only natural defense barrier. The Turks, as history has proven, are stubborn fighters, and unless the Axis could gain control of the Mediterranean they could not be isolated. This is exactly the kind of a military situation the Nazis try to avoid.

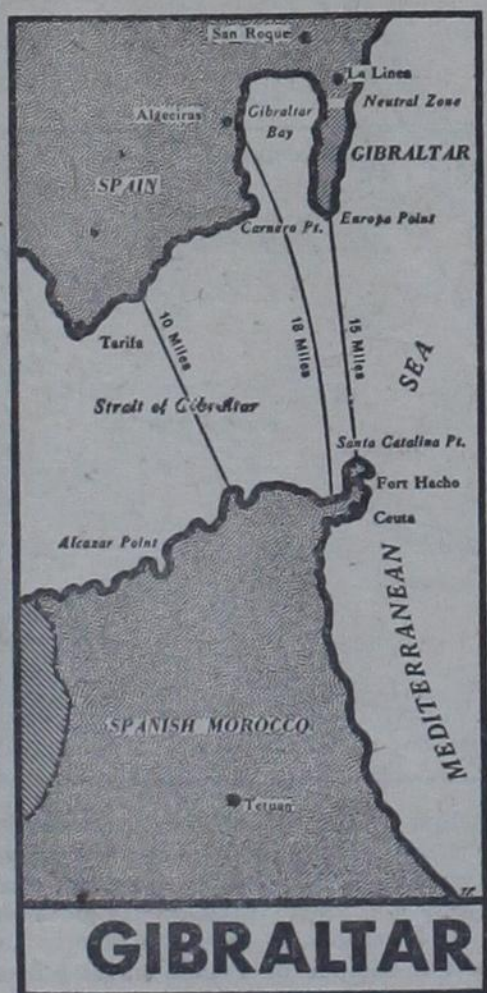
If Turkey can be won to the Allied side, and the Allies can establish complete control of the Mediterranean, the problem of supplying Russia will be greatly reduced by access of the Black sea route, thus eliminating the long haul to Murmansk and the Persian gulf.



MEDITERRANEAN.—The Mediterranean sea was called by the Romans the "Sea in the Middle of the Land," and to them no other lands, no other seas existed. On this land-locked sea of history has been fought all of Europe's decisive naval battles except two—Jutland and the Spanish Armada. In 480 B. C. Xerxes watched the Athenians crush his hopes of world conquest off the shores of Salamis. In the Battle of Actium, 31 B. C., the galleys of Antony met those of Octavian. The Battle of Lepanto in 1571, off the Peloponnesos, saw Christendom throw off the dominance of the Turks. At Aboukir bay, off the coast of Egypt, Lord Nelson destroyed

Napoleon's fleet and his oriental dreams.

Italy has long cherished control of the Mediterranean, and she has some ancient claims on this great waterway. As early as 1000 A. D. the ships of Venice were Europe's chief contact with the East. But English men-of-war did not neglect the Mediterranean, which increased tremendously with the opening of the Suez canal in 1869. Soon the British had both ends bottled up and control of the tiny island of Malta at the bottleneck between Sicily and French Tunisia, which stood out like a stop signal before Italy's aspirations in North Africa.



GIBRALTAR, MALTA.—Gibraltar and the Suez canal are the Mediterranean's only entrances. They have both long been in British hands, but because the Axis has free access to the Mediterranean through Italy, Great Britain has attempted to neutralize Italy's strategic position through the maintenance of a powerful base on the bomb-battered island of Malta.

Gibraltar is small: two and three-quarters of a mile long by three-quarters of a mile wide, and 1,437 feet to its highest point. Space to conceal batteries has only been gained by digging deep into the steep walls. Into the miles of caverns the British have stored tons of ammunition and food supplies as against the day Gibraltar must go on its own. It lies within easy range of modern guns, if Spain and the Axis powers choose to attack. Algeciras, on the Spanish mainland, is but four and a half miles across Algeciras bay. Carnero Point, at the entrance to the bay on the Spanish side, is supposedly fortified. Across the Strait of Gibraltar to Santa Catalina Point is but 18 miles. Here, at Fort Hacho, are long-range guns which could shell Gibraltar from the south. No flat surface in the colony is large enough to serve as an airport, and none can be built. Because of this there are no defending land-based fighters except those available from our newly won bases in French Morocco. On the other hand the "Rock" is bristling with anti-aircraft guns of all types and will account for itself well.

Gibraltar's position in a strictly naval conflict is self-evident. Gibraltar could stand and yet the Mediterranean could be lost. The "Rock" could probably withstand a prolonged siege, but because it can be bypassed by the methods of modern war it may not be called upon to do so in the present conflict. Malta's location—half way between Gibraltar and Suez—is a different story. It is a mid-Mediterranean fortress, naval and air base of first magnitude without the control of which any power in the Mediterranean would find itself constantly threatened on its flanks. It neutralizes Italy's bases in Sicily and the Italian base on Pantelleria island. Although its proximity to Sicilian air bases has made it untenable as a shelter for the British Mediterranean fleet it sits athwart of and threatens the Axis Europe-Africa supply route, and it completely dominates the central Mediterranean. But Malta is more than a base. It is a symbol of Allied determination and courage.

