

Continued rather cold with slightly lower temperatures tonight, preceded by snow flurries in the mountains this afternoon and early tonight.

U.S. DESTROYER SUNK OFF N.J. COAST

Philippine Ports Shelled; Jap Reinforcements Arrive ALLIES HOLDING INVADEES IN INDIES

No Advance By Invaders Since Sund'y

Japanese Bombers Pound Headquarters City of Bandung, Where Unofficial Reports Declare Capital Moved From Batavia; Netherlands Government In Exile Sees Little Hope Of Holding Out

By ROGER D. GREENE Associated Press War Editor The Japanese invasion of Java has been at a standstill since Sunday, the Indies high command announced today, but enemy air raiders smashed at this headquarters city of the Dutch command in a mighty attack in which 102 persons were killed or injured.

(By The Associated Press) American, British and Dutch troops were reported taking the offensive in Java today to drive Japan's invasion forces into the sea, and the Dutch high command announced that Japanese assault forces had been checked in all three battle sectors.

The raiders came over in fighter-escorted relays of bombers for one and a half hours this morning, holding their formations despite heavy anti-aircraft fire and the fearless attacks of enormously outnumbered United Nations fighter planes.

Although 42 enemy bombers and 18 protecting fighters were overhead at once, officials said military damage was slight. Abandoned homes near the airfield were destroyed and during bombing lulls the enemy fighters dived to machine-gun the streets.

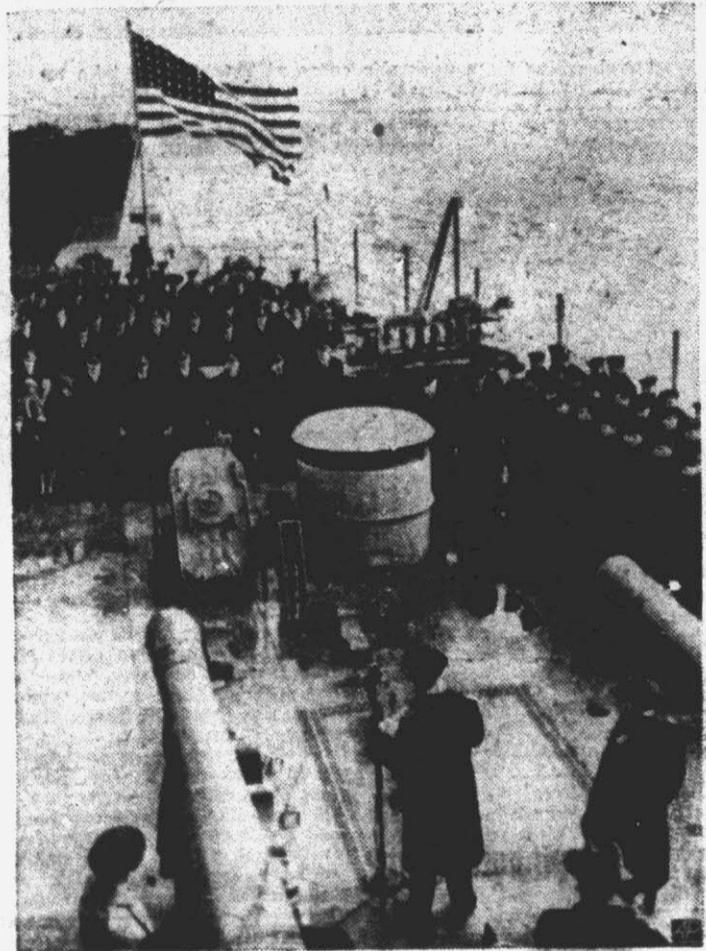
Defense forces were further credited with wiping out ten Japanese navy "zero" fighting planes and their crews in a machine-gunning attack against "an enemy-occupied airfield"—presumably on Java.

Explosion

Port Arthur, Texas, March 3. (AP)—A terrific explosion at the Atlantic refinery, 3 miles east, shook the city at 10:05 a. m. today. First reports were that twelve persons had been hospitalized.

A company official, who declined use of his name, said no one was killed and that the 12 injured were suffering from burns, none believed critical. He said the cause of the explosion, in a pump house was not determined. Damage to machinery, he added, might be "little or expensive."

Cruiser San Juan Commissioned



Capt. James C. Maher, U. S. N., Commander of the U. S. S. San Juan, reads the orders of the day to members of his crew as the new \$12,000,000 light cruiser, one of the fastest and most heavily armed ships of its type ever launched, was commissioned at the Boston naval drydock months ahead of schedule.

Island Off Puerto Rico Shelled By Enemy Craft

First Attack On U. S. Atlantic Coast Territory

San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 3. (AP)—An enemy ship shelled Mona Island off Puerto Rico's westernmost extremity last night, Governor Rexford Guy Tugwell's office announced today.

It was the first shelling of United States territory on the Atlantic side since the war started.

Presumably a submarine shelled the island, almost halfway between Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic.

A National Youth Administration camp is on the 20-mile-square island, 50 miles west of Mayaguez.

Remberto Cassaba, assistant head of the camp, reported the attack but said no damage or casualties resulted.

The shells landed far up of the rocky cliffs of the island.

Cassaba's radiogram addressed to Sam P. Gilstray, director of the NYA, said the boys of the youth camp "behaved very well during the attack."

"We want protection at once," the telegram added.

Forestry officials confirmed the attack.

Naval authorities scouted the theory that the shells might have come from firing practice in the vicinity.

San Juan residents were inclined to view the raid as purely a nuisance attack since the island is primarily a tourist and fishing resort and has only the slightest military importance.

Greenville Board Retains Officers

C. W. Howard was unanimously re-elected president of the Greenville Tobacco Board of Trade at a meeting of that organization this morning and G. V. Smith was retained as vice-president, also by unanimous vote.

After members had declared the past season to have been a splendid one, the organization went on record as expressing its gratitude to the president, vice-president and sales supervisor, R. C. Rankin. Mr. Rankin was re-elected for another year at the fall meeting.

AREAS BOMBED IN AUSTRALIA

Two Towns 700 Miles West Of Darwin Attacked

Canberra, Australia, March 3. (AP)—Greatly extending their operations against Australia's northwestern coast, Japanese planes in almost simultaneous attack today struck at airdrome facilities and ground planes in the towns of Wynham and Broome.

The naval base port of Darwin was the first point on the Australian mainland to feel Japanese air blows. These latest raids represent a sweep of 700 miles to the west of Darwin, on the coast of Australia nearest the Netherlands East Indies war zone.

A Royal Australian Air Force communiqué said there was some damage at both towns but no casualties.

"Wynham is 300 miles southwest of Darwin, North Australian port which has been the focus of earlier Japanese air attacks. Broome is 400 miles southwest of Darwin."

The Japanese used only machine-guns and cannon in their attack on Wynham but bombs were dropped at Broome.

The raids were directed at airdrome facilities and at ground aircraft, the communiqué said.

Form Association Of Warehousemen

Kinston, March 3. (AP)—J. Roger Brooks, president, said today that the newly-formed United States Flue Cured Tobacco Warehouse Association, would play an important role in supporting interests of farmers, warehousemen and the auction system in southern tobacco states.

The association, he said, aims to produce a more orderly market, protect the sales system, cooperate with governmental agencies in handling tobacco, and protect the interests of the farmers, warehousemen and buyers.

NINE BILLION TAX PROGRAM IS PRESENTED

Huge Measure Laid Before Congress By Morgenthau

EVERY AMERICAN TO BE AFFECTED

Secretary Declares War is Never Cheap, But Adds It's Cheaper To Win Than To Lose

Washington, March 3. (AP)—A \$9,610,000,000 war tax program "to be felt in every American home" was laid before Congress and the nation today by Secretary Morgenthau.

"The new taxes will be severe, and their impact will be felt in every American home," the Treasury chief told the House Ways and Means committee. "War is never cheap, but it is a million times cheaper to win than to lose."

The additional taxes which he proposed would, by themselves, be greater than ever collected by the Federal Government in a single year prior to 1941.

As a down payment on victory, Morgenthau asked doubling of most people's individual income tax, with rates so stiff that a single man with a \$2,000 salary would pay \$250 tax, and if he made \$1,000,000 would only be allowed to keep about \$100,000. Part of the tax probably would be deducted from paychecks.

He also recommended higher taxes on corporations, plugging of so-called loopholes, new and higher excise taxes on 15 items such as soda pop and cigarettes, stiffer estate and gift taxes, plus \$2,000,000,000 in additional social security taxes to be specified later.

Together with existing federal taxes the secretary said, this program would fulfill President Roosevelt's budget request for \$27,000,000,000 of taxes in the coming fiscal year, beginning July 1.

Morgenthau, in laying the program before the Ways and Means committee, summed up his proposals "except for social security" this way:

From increased individual income taxes \$3,200,000,000 From increased corporation taxes 3,060,000,000 From increased estate and gift taxes 330,000,000 New and increased excise taxes 1,340,000,000 From plugging loopholes 680,000,000 Apparent total \$8,610,000,000 Less conflicting taxes 1,000,000,000 Net total increase \$7,610,000,000

He explained that the \$1,000,000,000 deduction was necessary in his estimates because in many cases an increase in one tax may reduce the revenue from another tax. For instance, the more taxes paid by corporations, the less dividends will be received by individuals, cutting individual tax estimates.

Morgenthau said the money was needed not only to pay for war materials, but also to check inflation and "we should, therefore, tax so as to withdraw the greatest possible volume of purchasing power at this time, when money incomes are high and the quantity of goods for civilian consumption is low."

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No Activity Reported On Land, In Air

Several Ports On 3 Islands Shelled By Nipponese Naval Units, Including Cruiser and Destroyers; Troops Landed From Convoy Of Four Transports; Filipinos Pledge Fight To Death

Washington, March 3. (AP)—Japanese naval units are shelling several ports on three islands of the Philippines, the War Department reported today, and are landing troops from a convoy of four transports escorted by a cruiser at Zamboanga on the southwest tip of Mindanao.

There was virtually no ground or air activity over General Douglas MacArthur's positions in Bataan peninsula, the department's communiqué said, but the Japanese apparently are attempting to extend their occupation of the southern islands of the Philippine group.

The text of the communiqué, No. 132 of the war, based on reports received here up to 9:30 a. m.

"1. Philippine theater: There was practically no ground or air activity in Bataan.

"The enemy is landing troops at Zamboanga, on the island of Mindanao, on a convoy of four transports, escorted by a cruiser. The city is in flames.

"Japanese naval units, including a cruiser and destroyers, are shelling several ports on different islands of the Philippines. The points being attacked include Cebu City and Argao on the island of Cebu; Misos, Tolong, Dumaguete and Marcia Bong on the island of Negros; and Bugo on the island of Mindanao.

"There is nothing to report from other areas."

Mindanao is the largest island of the Philippine group, and the region of Davao on Mindanao has been the only sizable area occupied by the Japanese in the entire archipelago except for the large northern island of Luzon, on which MacArthur's main forces are fighting.

Mohammedan Moro tribesmen are rising by tens of thousands under a death vow to drive the invaders from the Philippines.

General MacArthur reported last night the pledge of 10,000 Moros of Lanao province, on the island of Mindanao, to wage war against the Japanese "and no mercy asked."

Previously Captain Datu Gumbay Piang, a leader in Cotabato province, south of Lanao, made a similar pledge on behalf of "the 20,000 Moros enlisted as Bolomen of the United States Army."

Lieutenant General Dies Summit Point, W. Va., March 3. (AP)—Lieut. Gen. James Carson Breckinridge, 64, U. S. M. C. (retired), died of a heart attack yesterday afternoon at his home here.

He was said to have been the first man to receive the rank of lieutenant general in the marine corps.

The WAR TODAY

By DeWITT MacKENZIE Wide-World News Analyst

War Production Chief Nelson's two-listed call for speeding up of arms manufacture is grimly emphasized today by the continued onrush of the Japanese against Java where the allied forces are making a gallant but uphill defense—once more because of lack of equipment.

Production is the price of victory. And we shouldn't overlook that this must include an intensification of ship-building, for production without transportation is of little avail. One of the serious allied weaknesses is lack of ships for quick movement of troops and supplies.

Hitler's unrestricted U-boat warfare—sing 'em on sight—along the sea-lanes over which must pass the sinews of war to his enemies is intensifying with the approach of spring land offensives which are likely to give us a preview of war's end. There's no more vital operation proceeding today, although the conflicts in Java and Burma and Russia are the more spectacular and consequently the more impressive.

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REDS STRIKING AGAINST NAZIS WITH NEW FURY

Germans Acknowledge Intensity Of Soviet Drive

STRONG THRUSTS ARE ADMITTED

Berlin, However, May Be Trying To Cover New Nazi Activity Or Prevent Opening Of 2nd Front

By The Associated Press Massed Russian attacks "on a scale not hitherto reached in the war" were reported by a German military spokesman today, while Adolf Hitler's field headquarters acknowledged that the Red armies were unleashing powerful new assaults along the entire 1,200-mile front.

Fresh details were lacking on the battle of Staraya Russa, 120 miles south of Leningrad, where survivors of the German 16th army troops were reported caught in a gigantic Russian encirclement.

"The Nazi high command cited 'strong attacks' on the Crimean and Ukraine (Donets River) fronts and 'numerous enemy attacks' in other sectors of the long battle line. The high command said the attacks were either 'frustrated' or 'continued on page four'.

DEFENSE ZONE IS DESIGNATED

Border Of The Pacific Coast First Area To Be Affected

San Francisco, March 3. (AP)—A wide border of the entire Pacific coast extending 95 to 250 miles inland and reaching along the Arizona-Mexico border was designated by the army today as military area No. 1, from which enemy aliens and American-Japanese may be excluded or their movements restricted.

Lieut. Gen. J. L. DeWitt, commanding general of the western defense command, under whose jurisdiction aliens now come, said his first evacuation order would deal with Japanese aliens and American citizens of Japanese descent now in certain vital military areas.

German and Italian aliens will be evacuated later. Exceptions will be made, he indicated, for aged Italians and Germans and those with children in the American armed forces.

"Immediate compulsory mass evacuation of all Japanese and other aliens from the Pacific coast is impracticable," General DeWitt said. "Eventually, orders will be issued requiring all Japanese, including those who are American-born, to vacate all of military area No. 1."

"Those Japanese and other aliens who move into the interior out of this area now will gain considerable advantage and in all probability will not again be disturbed."

Survivors Arrive At Canadian Port

An East Coast Canadian Port, March 3. (AP)—Thirteen survivors who were landed here today reported that 20 lives were lost when a freighter was torpedoed in the western Atlantic in January. Seven other survivors of the same ship were put ashore for hospital treatment at St. John's, Newfoundland.

All 20 were rescued by a British ship after they had drifted in lifeboats for eight hours.

Among those lost was a British refugee family of four, drowned after a torpedo explosion wrecked their lifeboat.

Far More Than 100 Men Lost Aboard Jacob Jones

Not The End

London, March 3. (AP)—Queen Wilhelmina declared defiantly tonight "we are not beaten and for us the struggle is not at an end" in a personal message to the embattled Netherlands East Indies.

"In order to help the East Indies in the great struggle we shall do the impossible since we know that only he who accepts surrender is beaten," said the message read over the radio by Lieut. Admiral J. T. Farnster, Netherlands Minister for Naval Affairs.

Paying homage to the "brilliant feats" of her navy, the Queen said both the Japanese and Dutch had suffered "heavy losses."

"Our navy will rise stronger than ever before," Wilhelmina declared. "To that end immediate steps will be taken."

HEAVY SNOW IN WESTERN N.C.

Two Deaths Directly Attributable To Storm

(By The Associated Press) Western North Carolina was blanketed with heavy snows today which had disrupted telephone and telegraph circuits over a wide area.

Asheville, summer resort city of more than 51,000 population, was without contact with the outside world except by radio and communications as far east as Shelby and Hickory were affected to varying degrees by the record breaking snow and sleet storms of yesterday and last night.

The depth of the snow was more than 12 inches in many places in the state. Twelve and a half inches had fallen at Asheville and Brevard by last midnight.

At least two persons were killed in accidents in connection with the storms. Neil Bishop, 51, of Sylva, a State Highway and Public Works Commission employee, was drowned in the Tuckasee river near Dillsboro when a truck skidded and plunged into the stream. Henry G. Barnett, 59, Hendersonville filling station operator, was injured fatally when his automobile and a Southern Railway train collided during a snowstorm.

Schools were closed throughout the area and 70 children were marooned in Fairview school building (Continued on Page Six)

24,000 Lbs. Paper Gathered In Week

R. C. Rankin, Pitt county Salvage for Victory chairman, declared today that the first week of the waste paper campaign was "highly successful" with 18,000 pounds of the waste officially having been reported gathered by six schools and two other schools unofficially reported to have collected 6,000 pounds, for a total of 24,000 pounds or 10 tons.

Chairman Rankin said the report from Ayden, where 10,000 pounds were collected, was especially gratifying.

Following is a list of collections by the eight schools, including students cited for meritorious work: Ayden, 10,000; Grady Dixon David Braxton and Mac Whitehurst; Grimesland, 1,028; Chicod, 2,750; Murphy Carrow Lawrence Foster, Lila Sue Tyson and Warren Hardee; Greenville Fifth Street 1,200; Nora Peterson, Nancy Green, Jessie Forbes, Elijah Thomas, James Parker and Margaret Priddy; West Greenville, 1,175; Ray Evans, Lewis Howe, Carl Morris and Mahlon Tucker; Third Street 1,365; Richard Briley and Frank Briley; Greenville High, unofficial, 5,000; Winterville, unofficial, 2,000.

Mr. Rankin declared that the paper collected by the eight schools, broken down into figures as they apply to the manufacture of containers for 75 mm. shells means that the children of the schools have furnished in one week enough paper to make containers for more than 2,000 of the shells.

Navy Department Reveals Loss Of Ninth Naval Ship So Far in War; Destroyer, Launched In 1918, Struck By Two Torpedoes; Neither Sub Nor Torpedo Sighted Before First Hit

Washington, March 3. —The Navy announced today that the destroyer Jacob Jones was sunk by an enemy submarine off Cape May, N. J., before dawn on February 28 and that only 11 men of the destroyer's crew survived.

The number of those lost, including the commanding officer, Lieut. Commander H. D. Black of Cradell, N. J., was not given but was far more than 100 since the normal war time complement of the old destroyer was around 145 officers and men.

Two torpedoes hit the Jacob Jones. The first one blew up the bow and apparently killed all personnel on the bridge as well as men sleeping in the forward living quarters of the ship. The second torpedo blew up the stern and all the depth charges.

The 11 survivors consisted of nine enlisted men from the engine room and two apprentice seamen.

Of the 11, only one was outside the amidship section when the stern was blown up. That one was in the after engine room.

In its communiqué reporting the sinking, the navy said that neither the enemy submarine nor the torpedo was sighted prior to the first hit.

After the first hit blew up the destroyer's bow, the submarine circled ahead of her and fired the torpedo which caused the terrible explosion of the depth charges in the stern.

The Jacob Jones was the ninth naval ship lost so far in the war, including the Reuben James which was torpedoed last fall prior to formal U. S. declaration of war.

The others of the previous eight were three combat ships, a mine layer and a target ship lost at Pearl Harbor; the tanker Natchez, torpedoed in unidentified waters; and the coast guard cutter Alexander Hamilton, torpedoed off Iceland.

Loss of the Alexander Hamilton with moderate casualties was announced February 23. The following day the loss of the destroyer Truxton and the store ship Polux in a storm off Newfoundland with a total loss of 189 officers and men was reported by the navy.

The Truxton, the Reuben James and now the Jacob Jones were all of the old World War four-stacker type of destroyer. The Jacob Jones was launched November 11, 1918, a 1,200-ton vessel armed with four-inch guns and capable of a speed of 35 knots. She was equipped also with 12 torpedo tubes.

The vessel was the second of that name to be lost in action with the enemy. The first was the Jacob Jones of World War days, which went down with 64 men December 6, 1917, while enroute from Brest to Queenstown, Ireland. Both ships were named for a hero of the war of 1812 and the war with the Barbary pirates.

Lieutenant Commander Black took command of the Jacob Jones April 14, 1941. He was 38 years old. A native of New Jersey, he entered the Naval Academy from that state in 1922 and was graduated in 1926, subsequently serving with various surface craft of the scouting fleet, battle fleet and Asiatic fleet.

238 Nazi Planes Destroyed by Reds

Moscow, March 3. (AP)—Soviet Russian forces destroyed 238 German planes between February 20 and 22, the Soviet Bureau of Information reported today. The Russians acknowledged the loss of 62 planes in that same period.

Of the total 137 German planes were brought down in air battles, nine were shot down by anti-aircraft fire and 92 were destroyed on enemy airdromes, the report said.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Matthews and their daughter, Janie, left today for Gastonia to make their home.

Mrs. Charles Cobb is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Tobias in Columbia, S. C.

Mrs. Bob Moffett and little daughter, Becky, have gone to Columbia, S. C. to visit Mrs. Moffett's sister, Mrs. Mason Yates.

Mrs. Susie Mallard and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Mallard, of Wilmington, were the guests of her brother, C. L. Dail, near Fountain, Sunday.

Mrs. L. A. Stroud has returned from Washington, D. C. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, little Miss Carolyn Spell.

Miss Dorothy Dail of near Fountain, is attending school in Wilmington, and is making her home with her aunt, Mrs. Susie Mallard.

Birth Announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hogan of Chapel Hill, announce the birth of a son, on March 1, 1942, in Watts Hospital, Durham. Mrs. Hogan is the former Miss Ethel Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Little of Grimesland.

Board of Stewards To Meet.
The Board of Stewards of Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church will meet at the church tonight at 7:30.

Leaves Hospital.
Miss Lill Wilson, who has been receiving treatment for a broken hip in Pitt General Hospital, returned to her home on Seventh street today.

Martin-Crumpler.
Mr. and Mrs. Cadmus Capehart request the pleasure of your company

at the marriage of their daughter, Ella Ruth Crumpler, to Mr. James Whittle Martin, Jr. on Saturday, the seventh of March at two o'clock in the afternoon at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, Greenville, North Carolina.

Minstrel Rehearsal.
All members of the Greenville Kiwanis club who will participate in the minstrel to be given here early in April to raise funds for its program among underprivileged children are urged to be at the radio station tonight at 7:30 promptly for rehearsal.

Surprise Birthday Dinner.
On Sunday, March 1, Mrs. Beattie Jackson's children gave her a surprise birthday dinner at her home. Mrs. Jackson went to church and when she returned everyone had arrived. Her eight little grandchildren met her at the door and sang "Happy Birthday." After dinner was served, Mrs. Jackson opened her many gifts, which were pretty and useful.

Library News

New Books
Last week the Sheppard Memorial Library received over one hundred and fifty new books for children and adults. A large group of those for grown-ups has some bearing on the war situation, some are religious in nature, others have the home in mind, while the majority is fiction of the better type.

A partial list from each group is as follows:
War Group—Mission of Moscow; Davies; Mr. Churchill; Guadalcazar; The Tolls of War; Newman; Bombs and Bombing; Ney; Air Base; Guyton; Design for Power; Schuman; America in the Pacific; Taylor; First Aid Textbook; American Red Cross; Women in National Defense; Banning; He's in the Army Now; Bomer; He's in the Air Corps Now; Graham; Flight to Arras; Exupery; Hawaii; The Restless Rampart; Barber.
Religion—Lyric Religion; Smith; World's Religions; Braedon; A Family Lives Its Religion; Wooley; New Testament in Basic English; Thinking Aloud in Wartime; Weatherhead.

Home—Entertaining Without a Maid; Lumsberg; Manners for Moderns; McGrady; Old Glass; Moore; Garden Bulbs in Color; McFarland; Gardener's Handbook; Bailey; Plants in the House; Bolthuis; Everyday Nursing; Berlin; Old Silver; Wyler; For Daughters and Mothers; Parker; Encyclopaedia of Furniture; Aronson.

Fiction—Blue Horizons; Baldwin; Marion; Olive; Baum; King's Row; Bellazana; Hotel Splendide; Demelmanns; Dragon Seed; Buck; The Lovely Road; Cartare; Frenchman's Creek; du Maurier; Young Ames; Edwards; Rendezvous; Hudson; The Secret Son; Kaye Smith; Mrs. Appleyard's Year; Kent; Last Laugh; Mr. Moto; Marquard; Columbus; Sabatini; Dragon's Teeth; Sinclair; Money in the Bank; Wodehouse; Mountain Meadow; Buchon; Last Tycoon; Fitzgerald; Under the Sea; Wind; Carson; Genesee Fever; Carter; Garden in the City; Carew; Corn in Egypt; Deeping; Ellen Rogers; Farrell; Sleep; On Her Shoe; Field; Bitter Honey; Freeman; Girl of the Woods; Hill; Happily Ever After; Humphries; Bedside Book of American Short Stories; Stories from the New Yorker; Short.

Social Calendar

TUESDAY
7:30 p. m.—Chapter 149 of the Eastern Star meets.

7:30 p. m.—Official Board of the Christian Church meets in the study of the church.

7:30 p. m.—St. Mary's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Episcopal Church meets.

8:00-10:00 p. m.—Open house at the N. Y. A. girls' sewing room.

8:00 p. m.—The Business Girls' Circle of the Immanuel Baptist Church meets with Mrs. Snodie Parkerson.

8:00 p. m.—The Y. W. A. of Immanuel Baptist Church meets with Miss Margaret Moore.

WEDNESDAY
7:30 p. m.—Mid-week prayer meeting at the Presbyterian Church.

8:15 p. m.—The choir of the Presbyterian Church meets for practice.

THURSDAY
11:00 a. m.—Day of prayer for Home Missions at Immanuel Baptist Church.

7:45 p. m.—The choir of the Methodist Church meets for rehearsal.

8:00 p. m.—The executive board of the B. and P. Woman's Club meets with Miss Helen Gaskins.

FRIDAY
6:30 p. m.—The Kiwanis Club meets.

7:30 p. m.—Red Men meet.

7:30 p. m.—Meeting of the Greenville chapter of East Carolina Teachers College Alumni Association, in the new classroom building.

Service League Meets.

Mrs. Walter Harrington presided over the meeting of the Service League which met in Sheppard Memorial Library Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Harrington welcomed the provisional members and to full membership in the league. These new members are: Mrs. E. T. Duff, Mrs. J. B. Lane, Mrs. E. T. Loyd, Mrs. B. Farley, Mrs. E. D. Robinson, Mrs. Robert Arthur, Mrs. Matt Long, Mrs. Will James and Mrs. E. T. Shotwell.

Mrs. J. B. Kitzel said that spring and summer clothes are being unpacked in the Thrift Shop. Gifts of spring clothing will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs. R. C. Stokes reported that the hospital fund has been maintaining three patients this month, one a colored child, who has to have hospital treatment several times a month, staying a day at a time. Another patient has been a small infant being kept in the incubator; another, a small child. A gift of \$25 to the bed was given by Mrs. Stokes. Messrs. Charles and Dail Laughinghouse in memory of their father, Dr. "Charlie" Laughinghouse, in whose memory the Charles O'Hagan Laughinghouse Bed was established.

The League voted to give \$25 to the United Service Organization as their contribution to the entertainment of the men of the armed forces who visit Greenville. The members were asked to open their homes to help accommodate the overflow that Greenville has experienced the last few weeks.

Mrs. E. B. Aycock was appointed Girl Scout chairman to succeed Mrs. Tom Webb, who has moved to Fayetteville.

Beautiful samples of party and utility aprons, maids' aprons, both dress and kitchen, were on display. Orders are being taken by Mrs. James Little and Mrs. W. S. Bost. These are being made by members of the League and the profits go toward the maintenance of the Charles O'Hagan Laughinghouse Bed in Pitt General Hospital.

The April meeting of the League will not take place on Easter Monday, but has been postponed until the second Monday in April.

Forty Years Ago Today

THE DAILY REFLECTOR
Tuesday, March 3, 1902

At the February meeting of the Board of Aldermen two bills were paid for damage done to store windows by fireworks Christmas. It being conceded that the town was responsible for damage done by fireworks when exploding they are permitted, has caused some talk that they should be prohibited in town altogether. If any action is to be taken by the aldermen to that end it should be done early in the year so all dealers may have ample notice before making any contracts for purchases next season.

Kinchen Cobb caught a small pike on the bridge this morning. The fish was swimming right on top of the bridge.

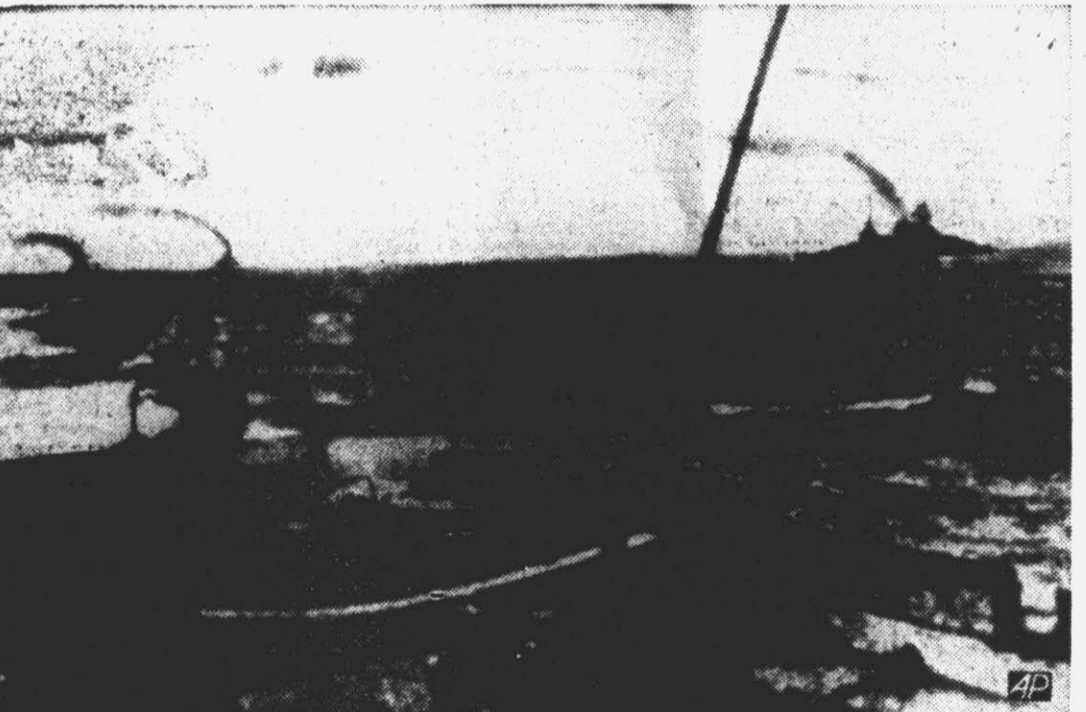


U.S. TROOPERS IN THE CARIBBEAN—No laggards are here, among the American infantrymen hustling from dock site camp at Trinidad, to take up defense positions. Trinidad is most southerly of the British West Indies, lies off north coast of South America. U.S. has defenses there, by arrangement with Britain.



PENCIL OF DEATH HEADS INTO THE NIGHT—Slim and long, one of Britain's Whitley bombers, seen in a broadside view, streaks off toward Nazi territory. Twin Rolls-Royce Merlin engines power this heavy bomber which has a wing span of 84 feet and a length of 69 feet, three inches. It carries a crew of five and has a range of about 1,600 miles and a ceiling of 23,000 feet. Defensive armament is housed in power-operated turrets in the nose and tail, comprising one forward gun and four rear guns.

German Warships In Dash Through Channel



This picture was radioed from London after appearing in a Reich publication which identified the three ships in the distance as the German battleships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau and the cruiser Prinz Eugen during their dash through the English Channel from Brest toward Helgoland on February 12. On February 26 the British House of Commons was informed of a successful submarine attack on a German Norway.

State Employees Under Indictment

Raleigh, March 3.—(AP)—The Wake county grand jury returned true bills of indictment against eight former employees of the State Revenue Department yesterday after Clarence W. Sneed, former deputy collector, pleaded guilty to charges of embezzling approximately \$6,000.

After entering his plea, Sneed went before the grand jury. He presumably testified in connection with other alleged irregularities in the department.

Three employees who had been fired for what Revenue Commissioner A. J. Maxwell described as gross negligence were among those indicted. They were Robert L. Ward, Jr., chief of the division of accounts; Fred B. Drake, chief of the sales tax division; and Cashier Harry S. Howard.

The other five were Lee C. Tay-



Program Present'd By Dr. Carl Adams

Dr. Carl Adams, chairman of the Rotary club service committee, presented what he termed a "synthetic program" at last night's regular weekly meeting of the Greenville Rotary club. The program emphasized the fact that it was the duty and privilege of citizens in the community to give consideration to a program of activity for underprivileged children's welfare.

In his talk Dr. Adams pointed out that free men of this country have duties as well as rights and privileges. One of these duties, according to the chairman of the Rotary service committee and past president of the club, is to consider whatever possible for the betterment of humanity.

A short film was shown after Dr. Adams' speech entitled "A Child went Forth." The picture showed the part of children's work and play that attributed to their phys-

cal and mental development. Visiting Rotarians were: Dr. Paul Jones of Farmville, Paul Brooks, Junior Rotarian from the high school, and Floyd Hendricks, who is the new Pitt county farm agent.

Grimesland News

Mrs. John Lewis and little daughter Joy, of Norfolk, Va., are visiting friends and relatives here.

Mrs. R. B. Pollard of Rocky Mount was the week-end guest of her mother, Mrs. T. P. Proctor.

Mrs. Dick Rouse and Mrs. Bill Galloway were business visitors in Greenville Monday morning.

Mrs. T. F. Proctor was among the shoppers in Greenville Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Allgood of Washington, spent the week-end with Mrs. Allgood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mayhew Godley.

The Grimesland girls' high school basketball team will play the girls' town team, and the boys' town team will play the Stokes town team on Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will go to the Junior Red Cross.

Mrs. Lela Bell Hoell, Mr. and Mrs. John Elks and Mrs. Dan White were Washington visitors Sunday afternoon.

Miss Christine Cordon spent the week-end in Bath with homefolks. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Elks and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Elks.

Miss Minnie Mae Sawyer of Kingston, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet at the home of Mrs. S. A. Porter Friday afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Church will meet with Mrs. Hick Galloway Thursday afternoon.

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MERCY STOREHOUSE—Stacked high at a warehouse in Geneva, Switzerland, are parcels which the International Red Cross routes into prisoner-of-war camps. The articles are collected at Lisbon and sent to Geneva by way of Marseilles.



BRIEF ROMANCE—For two such veterans in the stage land of make-believe as James Pease and Frances Watkins, the fact that their "lunch basket" is actually a brief case doesn't stop the business at hand—rehearsal for an opera, "Rasamulcha." They're deep in the Pyrenees mountains. Pease, a bass-baritone, is from Indianapolis; Miss Watkins, from Dyersburg, Tenn.

Armed Tanker Scores Moral Victory Over Axis U-boat

1ST EXCHANGE OF THIS WAR Submarine Is Driven Off, May Have Been Hit

San Francisco, March 3.—(AP)—Alert seamen who manne the newly-installed deck guns of the big oil tanker William H. Berg, today tasted a moral victory over a Japanese submarine in the first such exchange of shells reported since the arming of merchantmen began.

The undersea craft, presumably Japanese, fired on the modern Standard Oil Company vessel without warning late Saturday night.

Hit, the tanker replied in kind. Deck guns blazed away at the assailant, barely visible in the darkness.

Whether the submarine was hit is not known. Naval patrol planes and ships could find no trace of it when they reached the scene.

Freighters and tankers, armed and unarmed, have been sunk or badly damaged by torpedoes before their crews could drop lifeboats or air cannon, but this was the first reported instance in which a U. S. six days, sinking one and damaging driven off the sneak attacker.

The engagement occurred close to shore about 30 miles below San Francisco. All radio stations in the San Francisco Bay area were ordered off the air for a half hour to prevent the enemy from taking navigation bearings.

It was the second attack by gunfire in California waters in five days. A big submarine shelled oil company property near Santa Barbara on February 23 with scant damage and no casualties. It was the first raid on coastal shipping since last December, when undersea craft attacked nine ships in merchantman had fought back and two.

GREENVILLE HI-NEWS

I. C. Club
Happy Birthday to us, Happy birthday to I. C. Happy birthday to us, rang through the halls of G. H. S. last night as the International Correspondent Club celebrated its fourth birthday as a club.

A brief business meeting was held in which the members of the club decided to have the secretary write for information on a club pin and give a report on possible pins at the April meeting. A motion was made and passed to have the club picture in the school annual. Secretary Bridgers offered her resignation due to the past uncertainty of her attendance, but it was not accepted because there are but two more meetings and she has been very satisfactory.

Margaret Jones resigned as chairman of the Scrapbook committee because of graduation. Her resignation was accepted and the president, Doris Broadhurst, appointed Delia Slater to replace her.

Pauline Bell and Henry Harris presented a program on Russia, after which an open forum on Russia was participated in by the Icers.

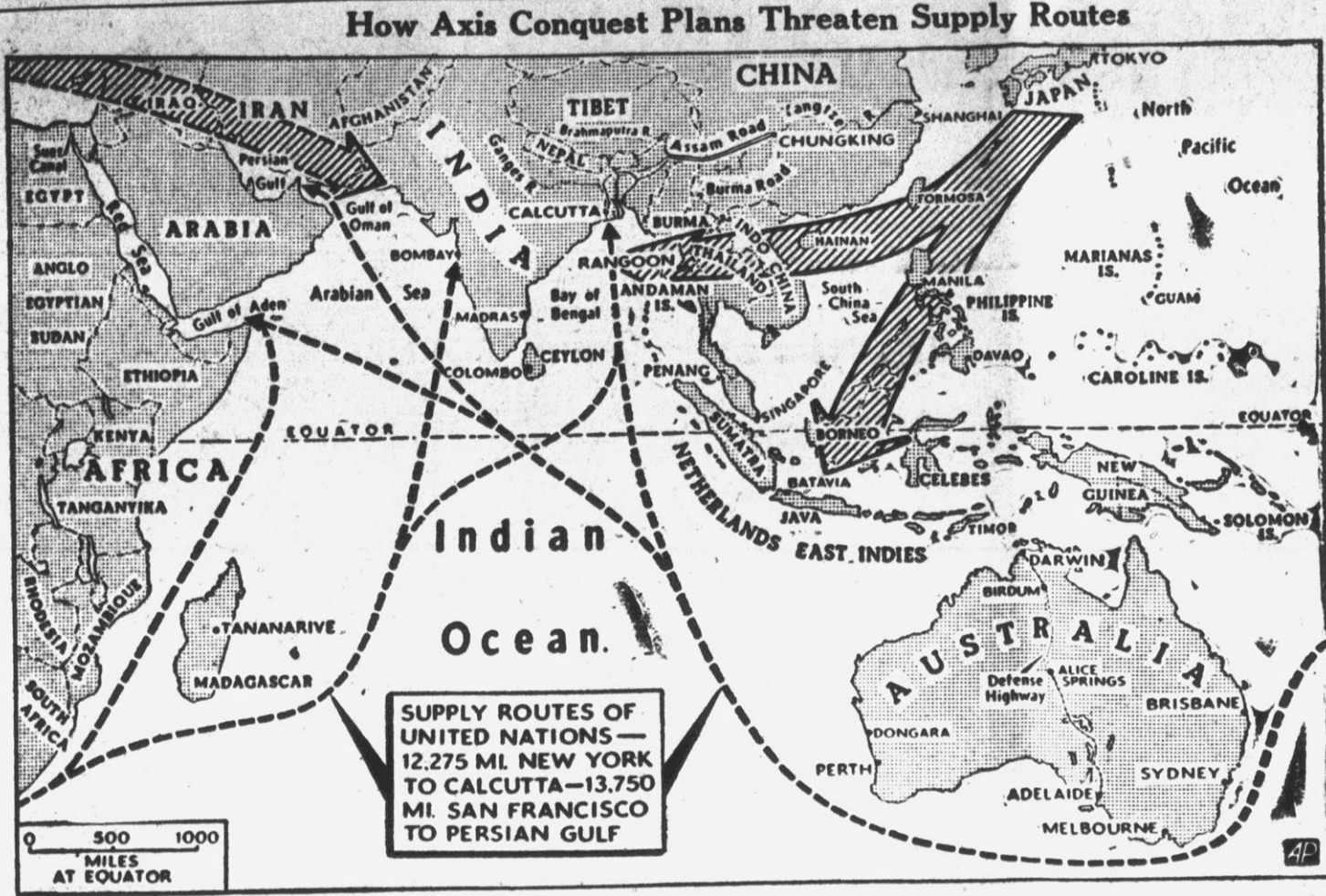
Henry Harris, Johnny Corey, Doris Broadhurst and Margaret Jones served peanuts and lemonade, then they brought in a big chocolate birthday cake with four green candles on it and while the Icers sang "Happy Birthday" the president blew out the candles and the cake was cut and served.

Paper Campaign
Last week Mr. Ward James' first period class brought in 525 pounds of paper. Miss Cooper Bell's homeroom brought 442-2 pounds and Mrs. Howard Mims' homeroom brought 430 pounds. The 14 Monogram initiates were told to bring 30 pounds of paper each for this week.

"The amount of paper that we are collecting proves how patriotic and helpful Greenville High students are," remarked Mary Elizabeth Austin, chairman of the paper committee.

COLORED NEWS

NEGRO GIRL SCOUT NEWS
The members of the Negro Girl Scout Leaders' Association met on Monday afternoon at 4:30 at the Fleming street school. Miss Sadie Salter, president, presided at the meeting. Plans were made for the cookie sale to be conducted throughout the next two weeks. The leaders discussed the possibility of attending a training course to be given in Raleigh in May. Plans were made for all the Negro Girl Scouts to attend church in a group the third Sunday in March. Mrs. J. D. Collins, Jr., executive secretary, told the leaders about a training course to be given in arts and crafts for them the night of March 19 in the Girl Scout office. Those attending the meeting were: Miss Salter, Misses Lottie Gray and Anna Louise Morgan, Mrs. Cherlie Artis, Mrs. Daisy Daniels, Mrs. Lillie Taylor, Mrs. Annie Armstrong, Mrs. Olga B. Myers, and Mrs. Nena Cherry. The April meeting will be held on the second Monday in the month because of the Easter holidays.



Heavy diagonal arrows indicate the path of the Japanese conquest toward India and Java as well as anticipated German effort to drive from the eastern end of the Mediterranean into the oil fields of Iran. Japan's broad strategy apparently calls for a thrust into the Indian Ocean in an effort to loot India, cut allied supply routes—then meet the Germans in the Middle East. Dotted lines indicate United Nations' supply routes around Australia and Africa to Indian Ocean points of entry.

Dangerous Baggage

BY ELEANOR ATTERBURY

Chapter 29
Convinced

As in a drowning man's last conscious moments, Sharon reviewed the events of the past weeks as they flashed rapidly across the screen of her mind. Of course—why hadn't she discovered the clues to all this, learned the true picture long since! Mr. Goodwin's secrets, his strange moods, his mysterious and unaccountable disappearances. And the Countess and her strange warnings! That second trip to the deserted little cabin should have opened her eyes. And her instinctive confidence in Tom Stafford should have weighed heavier in her thinking than all of Mr. Goodwin's silver-tongued persuasion!

She looked up at Tom now. "I've been pretty stupid, haven't I?"

He cocked an eyebrow at her. "Have you?"

"I believed Mr. Goodwin absolutely without really knowing why, I guess. He seemed so—so much a gentleman, so kind to me and to Dennis." She went painfully back over the whole story, to pick out her own mistakes. "Even when I felt sure you were not, could not be the desperate criminal he said you were—"

Tom bowed. "Thanks, lady."

"I let him argue me back into believing what he said. I was flattered, I guess, because he chose me out of all the force of stenographers, said I was—intelligent and would be loyal!" She tried to laugh at herself a little. "Intelligent, all right!"

Tom smiled but his eyes held no humor. "You mean, you would have been as smart as he said if you hadn't gotten caught?"

"Surely you don't think I knowingly tried to help a—a foreign agent!" Tom couldn't believe she had wanted to help get valves to Germany.

But, evidently he did! He only shrugged now. "All I know for sure

is that I gave you every possible chance to get out of the racket—and you refused."

"But I didn't know it was a racket. Tom you must believe that."

He looked at her a moment. Then, matter-of-factly, "I have to believe what I believe to be right—not what I'd like to believe!"

"But I tell you I had no idea what had happened to those valves," she persisted, hot tears threatening as she felt herself blocked by his stubborn indifference. "Mr. Goodwin told me they had fallen into your hands, that you were an 'enemy' agent, that you—Oh, I see it all so plainly now. How could I have been so dense?"

"I'm not at all sure you were—or are—the least bit dense, my sweet," he said dryly.

And this time, his flippant little endearment really did bring tears. Biting her lips, Sharon got up, tended to look out while she regained control of herself. On the distant shore, an occasional light twinkled. It was still dark as a pocket but the wind had died down, left the ocean to roll into smooth, black swells.

"Don't cry about it," came Tom's advice over her shoulder. "Even Mata Hari got caught, you know. And smarter girls than you might have been taken in by Goodwin's smooth line. You probably stood to gain a nice little 'bonus'. And, if you aren't too fussy about loyalties, I suppose it's easy dough."

Chin up

That did it. Banishing tears, Sharon came back to the table, chin up, her eyes sparkling dangerously.

"I happen to be very 'fussy' about loyalties. I happen not to care about making money dishonestly," she said biting the words off evenly. "I have been duped by a clever impostor. So far as I know, nothing that I have done has actually con-

tributed any vital information to the enemy. I see now that what I thought was a flattering promotion was merely a desperate man's attempt to distract attention. I'm sorry I was simple enough to fall for his flattery. What can I do or say now to prove my sincerity?"

Tom moved close enough to rest his hands on her shoulders. "You're a nice little speech, Sharon. But you can't do or say anything that would make me trust you any farther than I could throw a piano."

"But why, Tom! Why won't you believe me?"

"Because, if I were in your shoes, I'd be making the same play that you are. It's the only one you can make under the circumstances," he said coolly. "You're caught. You've been in a position to know everything Goodwin was doing. You've consistently thwarted every effort to get that information for the government. You've even got your kid brother in on the deal. Naturally, your best bet now is to pretend innocence, gather what dope you can from me, and get it to Goodwin at the first opportunity. You're a smart girl, Sharon. I envy Goodwin such a good worker!"

Sick at heart, Sharon sank into a chair, tried desperately to re-construct new arguments, new proofs of her innocence. She had to make Tom believe her.

"Not that I think you're going to have a chance to get any information to Goodwin." Tom went on, gnawing his pipe stem thoughtfully. "Our agents are planted thick as fleas on a dog's back around that cabin right now. Goodwin will take this load of stuff there to cache it for a few days. That's because the Tauben got in the way of a British torpedo a few days ago and she's held up for repairs. He's got most of the gang with him on the Ladybird," he went on as if he were thinking aloud, "because that fire he set in the wheat was meant to distract police attention while he made a getaway."

And Dennis, Sharon wondered anxiously. Did he get away safely? Or had he been caught in that inferno? Shuddering, she shut her eyes as if to blot out that picture, thinking the goods into the cabin, we'll give the signal and—the boys will close down so quick Goodwin won't know what hit him."

Good Idea
Sharon looked up. "That's if Goodwin doesn't want you to the draw. Goodwin isn't exactly slow you know."

"You're absolutely right," Tom nodded. "In fact, that's the weak spot in this whole scheme. When we strike, we've got to strike fast, or else!"

"How do you know Goodwin isn't aware that you are out here on that your men are posted around the cabin?"

"I don't," Tom admitted blankly. "I only know that we've arrested the 'fishermen' who usually guard the place. We've had our eyes on those birds for weeks. My boys are going to pick them up late this evening too late for Goodwin to get word of it."

"How will you know when they are in the cabin when the steel has all been moved off the boat?" she demanded, sure now that she was on the trail of a good idea.

"Just have to guess at that," Tom shrugged. "We'll move in closer just before dawn. Then, if we can't see any life aboard the Ladybird, we'll trust to luck the rats are in the trap."

"Why didn't you have the coast guard intercept the Ladybird it-

can't get to you fast enough to be of any real help?"

Tom's face went grave. "I don't know. I can only hope there's no hitch."

"But Tom—it's such a risk!" Sharon cried, recalling the size of the gun Dennis had carried. "They are armed to the teeth and they'll shoot to kill. They already have those orders."

Tom nodded. "I know. My boys aren't playing with pop-guns either."

And Dennis in the midst of it. Did he realize now what the real story was? Did he, too, understand his position as unwitting tool of a treacherous enemy? Maybe that was what he had been trying to tell her back there in that cavernous warehouse.

But, she shook her head hopelessly; even then escape would have been too late. Tom had been convinced of her guilty part in the whole scheme right from the first. She tried to think back to every moment they had spent together. Surely, she wanted to believe, some of those moments he hadn't suspected her. Or at least, he'd suspended suspicion temporarily, she amended, flushing a little.

Now, could she make him believe her completely, trust her every effort of which she was capable to dupe him, to betray him, to make him believe her to be something she was not. Had she ruined for all times her chance to win his respect, his admiration, his—love?

To Be Continued

Allies Holding . . .
(Continued from page one)

The new blows boosted the enemy's toll off Java to 30 warships and transports sunk or damaged. A bulletin from N. E. I. headquarters said allied troops, "showing splendid offensive spirit," were fighting in close contact with the invaders and that the Japanese had made no advance since Sunday in any of the three landing areas of Java.

"It can be stated without reservation that the situation remains well in hand on all fronts," an authorized Dutch spokesman said late tonight, Java time.

In London, an official of the Netherlands government-in-exile

Painted a gloomy outlook of the struggle, declaring Java "cannot hold out much longer" unless reinforcements arrive.

"We have suffered terrible losses, and the chances of reinforcements are slight," he said, adding that Japanese strategy was aimed at driving straight across middle Java to cut the island and its defense forces in two.

The official said the Dutch Indies government had moved from Batavia, the capital, to the inland mountain city of Bandoeng.

A Tokyo broadcast said the vanguard of Japanese forces which invaded Java at dawn already had advanced within sight of Bandoeng, Dutch military headquarters city.

Bandoeng is in western Java, about halfway across the 150-mile-wide island.

While the picture of land fighting remained obscure, the gravity of the situation was outlined starkly by the Dutch acknowledgement that they had begun to apply a "scorched earth" policy of destruction to the capital city of Batavia itself. N. E. I. officials said there was no immediate threat to the city but that demolition had been started "in order to take no risks."

Dispatches reaching London said allied bombers were raining havoc on the new Japanese invasion fleet 50 to 60 miles north of Java and that United Nations warships also had gone into action.

These dispatches said the invaders were expected to begin unloading fresh troops along Java's 620-mile coastal beaches within a few hours.

Imperial Tokyo headquarters summarizing the results on last week-end's flaming battles in the Java sea, asserted that 23 allied warships had been sunk, including six cruisers, eight destroyers, seven submarines, a gunboat and a minesweeper.

The 9,050-ton United States cruiser Houston was listed among the ships sent to the bottom.

As for Japanese losses, Tokyo acknowledged only that a single minesweeper had been sunk and a destroyer slightly damaged.

By contrast, the Dutch have announced the sinking or heavily damaging of 27 Japanese warships and transports in the Java sea fighting, with a loss of two allied

Original II Duce Backer Succumbs

Nairobi, Kenya Colony, March 3 (AP)—The Duke of Aosta, Viceroy of Ethiopia, who became a British prisoner of war, died today.

The Duke, a second cousin of Italian King Vittorio Emanuele was 43 years old.

He was taken ill of tuberculosis after being placed in the House of Savoy prison camp following his surrender in Ethiopia last May.

The Duke of Aosta was a brawny unconventional member of the Italian Royal family, the only prominent person in the House of Savoy who continued to be an ardent supporter of Premier Mussolini and his Fascist regime.

The Duke's father was one of the first to support Mussolini when II Duce first began organizing the Blackshirts and because of this the Duke almost was given a chance to become king of Italy.

cruisers and two destroyers.

On land, an N. E. I. spokesman declared merely that "hard blows have been inflicted on the enemy."

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
Having qualified as administrators on the estate of Mrs. Retha Harris, deceased, late of Pitt County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 2nd day of March, 1942, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 2nd day of March, 1942.
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Because of public appreciation of life insurance, increased efficiency of our agents, and the better national income during 1941, lapses and surrenders were at the lowest rate recorded in the Company's history.

In fulfilling its obligations to policyholders during 1941, Metropolitan paid or credited to policyholders and their beneficiaries more than \$567,900,000. Of this amount, more than \$383,700,000 was paid or credited to living policyholders.

Metropolitan is a mutual company. Its assets are held for the benefit of its policyholders and their beneficiaries. In the meantime, these assets are, as always in the past, being used to help meet national needs.

BUSINESS REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1941
(In accordance with the Annual Statement filed with each State Insurance Department.)

OBLIGATIONS TO POLICYHOLDERS, BENEFICIARIES, AND OTHERS	ASSETS WHICH ASSURE FULFILLMENT OF OBLIGATIONS		
Policy Reserves Required by Law	\$4,909,535,985.79	National Government Securities	\$1,319,913,986.74
This amount, together with future premiums and interest, is required to assure payment of all future policy benefits.		U. S. Government	\$1,214,931,424.25
Dividends to Policyholders	109,974,902.00	Canadian Government	104,982,562.49
Set aside for payment in 1942 to those policyholders eligible to receive them.		Other Bonds	2,091,311,142.34
Funds for Future Payment Under Supplementary Contracts	166,485,827.70	U. S. State and Municipal	92,949,983.75
Policy proceeds from death claims, matured endowments and other payments which beneficiaries and policyholders have left with the Company to be paid out to them in future years.		Canadian Provincial and Municipal	102,808,619.82
Dividends Left with the Company	26,574,405.32	Railroad	554,581,646.59
Amount of dividends, and interest thereon, left on deposit with the Company.		Public Utilities	801,409,204.15
Policy Claims Currently Outstanding	24,347,909.86	Industrial and Miscellaneous	539,561,688.03
Amount of claims in process of settlement and estimated amount of claims that have occurred but have not yet been reported to the Company.		Stocks	82,191,836.00
Other Policy Obligations	18,218,374.00	All but \$128,323.00 are Preferred or Guaranteed.	
Including premiums paid in advance, etc.		First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	955,324,104.05
Taxes Due or Accrued	12,914,533.00	Farms	88,382,977.02
Includes estimated amount of taxes payable in 1942 on the business of 1941.		Other Property	866,941,127.03
Reserve for Mortgage Loans	11,000,000.00	Loans on Policies Made to policyholders on the security of their policies.	486,834,916.35
To provide against possible depreciation in value of such loans.		Real Estate Owned	407,190,758.93
Miscellaneous Liabilities	21,011,915.49	Includes Housing Projects, and real estate for Company use.	
Other liabilities not included above.		Cash	152,218,269.31
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS	\$5,299,963,053.36	Premiums Included in determining Policy Reserves, but not yet received.	92,276,856.92
		Interest and Rents Due and Accrued, etc.	60,785,325.43
		TOTAL ASSETS TO MEET OBLIGATIONS	\$5,648,047,196.07

SURPLUS FUNDS \$348,084,142.71

The Company holds total assets which exceed the total of its obligations by \$348,084,142.71, for the purpose of giving added assurance that all benefits to policyholders and beneficiaries will be paid in full as they fall due. This amount is composed of:

Special Surplus Funds \$7,190,000.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus) \$340,894,142.71

and serves as a cushion against possible unfavorable experience, whether due to economic conditions or unexpected claims.

NOTE—Assets carried at \$256,946,853.17 in the above statement are deposited with various public officials under requirements of law or regulatory authority. Canadian business conducted in this statement is reported on basis of par of exchange.

British Paratroops Float Earthward



British paratroops such as these, pictured practicing mass jumping in training maneuvers, carried out a brief but successful invasion into France to attack a German radio detector post on the northern coast. The post was reported destroyed, and the British returned to their bases with but "very light" casualties.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

WE NEED THE LONG LOOK.
Someone has said that the thing which embitters all loss and deepens all sorrow is the feeling that this world is all. If we cannot look beyond the grave for the final adjustment of life's difficulties and the righting of its wrongs, then we are hopeless indeed.

This does not mean that we should leave anything undone in our attempt to solve our problems and to establish justice here on earth. It only means that there are some things we cannot do for ourselves, some problems which are beyond our efforts, some injustices with which our weak powers cannot cope. Unless we can believe that the power and wisdom of an all-wise God will finally settle these things, we walk every day in darkness and eat out our hearts in bitterness.

Loss we shall have, and sorrow, everyone of us. Just as God makes His sun to shine upon the good and upon the evil, and sends His rain upon the just and the unjust, so does He permit sorrow as well as joy to come upon the good, failure as well as achievement to be the lot of the sinner as it is so often the lot of the sinner.

The center of our lives is not to be found amid the circumstances that make them up, but within the circle of God's providential and loving care. We need eternity to complete our growth. We need a view of life which stretches beyond the farthest horizon to rescue us from despair.

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YOU MAY BE WALKING SOON

Americans might just as well begin to realize that in the not very distant future we will be out of our automobiles and on our feet once more. Those who believe that the artificial rubber program will provide the nation with tires are probably victims of wishful thinking. According to present estimates there will be no civilian rubber for the duration of the war. All that can be produced will be needed for military purposes. It is forecast that approximately 35 per cent of America's cars will be off the roads within a year and that two-thirds will disappear from the highways within the next two or three years. Those who are fortunate enough to have good tires at this time will find it profitable to use them as sparingly as possible.

HARD TRUTH DRIVEN HOME

Wars are not won with brave words and stirring bands. Wars are won with deeds. Wars are won with production. Wars are won through the full, uncompromising cooperation of government, of labor, of industry and of all the people.

Our war will be won or lost on the home front. Victory depends on whether we can make and deliver the endless quantities of planes and ships and guns and ammunition that our troops and our Allies so sorely need.

Disgraceful labor disputes have cost our military forces untold quantities of weapons

The Race Is Only Begun



PHOENIX REPUBLIC AND GAZETTE SYNDICATE

REG-MANNING

—and the lives of many men. Petty officialism has played politics while war rages throughout the world, and slowed production still more.

The people of this nation are now demanding in no uncertain voice that government, industry and labor cooperate so that productive enterprises of this nation—the plane and tank factories, the motor plants, the oil and metal and coal industries can turn the blueprints of war needs into realities.

The disasters in the Pacific show what we may expect in the future unless we change the piddling policies of the past.

spent most of their time stepping on each other's toes?

John B. Blandford, Jr., who has had nothing to do with any of these agencies but has been assistant director of the budget, is head of the new set-up. Charles F. Palmer, who has been coordinator of defense housing (but as such has had his hands tied with 16 knots and no cooperation from Congress) is going to England to study war housing there.

What happens now remains to be seen, but behind all of this is an amazing muddle, especially as regards your national capital, where housing is one of the worst of all possible messes and is likely to get worse before it gets better, no matter how fast NHA acts.

For more than two years, Washington has been growing at a staggering rate. The tidal wave of new workers has reached the level of 300 a day and this doesn't account for relatives and families who accompany them, nor for the hordes of non-government business men, lobbyists and what-not who have been pouring in since the first defense bill was passed. Yet aside from what private construction firms, the peace time social housing programs and an appeal to patriotic house owners to rent rooms to defense workers, practically nothing has been done.

Not long ago, the House committee on Public Building and Grounds had before it the Lanham bill to provide \$10,000,000 for defense housing in the District of Columbia. Palmer, testifying before the committee, said: "I do not know of any words with which I can make more emphatic the gravity of the situation. If we are again delayed by controversies over details; indeed, if the bill that I have suggested does not make funds available within the next few weeks, I cannot accept responsibility for the disastrous

conditions that face Washington and for the effect such conditions will have upon our war effort."

So far as the "disastrous conditions" are concerned, make-shift housing (such as exists in nearby trailer towns) and emergency bunking (three and four persons living in one small room) have reached such a level that Washington is right at the point of spilling over into tents and park benches.

Similar conditions have been reported in many communities, but in a lot of them, the boom-town log jam is being cleared out. Doctors, government officials and police here are saying that if NHA does not act and fast, serious impairment of health and efficiency and the spread of crime in Washington will be a lot more serious than the prosecution of our war effort than enemy submarines popting at oil refineries along our coasts.

The WAR TODAY

(Continued from Page One)

Britain's first lord of the Admiralty, A. V. Alexander, has named this the battle of the seven seas. That's an apt characterization, for a struggle that originally was confined largely to the Atlantic and the Mediterranean has mushroomed out until it rides the waves of the globe.

Victory in the battle of the seven seas means triumph in the world war as a whole. Land engagements must play their mighty part, but they can't bring total success unless they are accompanied by domination of the shipping routes.

Resources—industrial production—transportation. Those are the keys to success.

The German U-boat offensive in the Atlantic is no flash in the pan, and the Nazis are reaping a harvest of grave dimensions. Anglo-American shipping losses have increased considerably of late.

This column many weeks ago said that Hitler appeared to be getting set for a great drive against allied shipping. First Lord Alexander now states that we may be near the beginning of a fresh period of raider activity—both German and Japanese. I pointed out yesterday the danger that the Japs would start raiding the vital Indian ocean shipping lanes if and when Java last remaining obstacle to a free-run of those waters, has been conquered.

The British have announced that German U-boat construction has reached an unprecedented scale and is increasing monthly. The deprivations of our coast speak clearly of the striking power of the Nazi sea-park. London believes that the Nazis may even make a grand assault on our forces in Iceland, with the idea of crippling our transportation set-up with Britain.

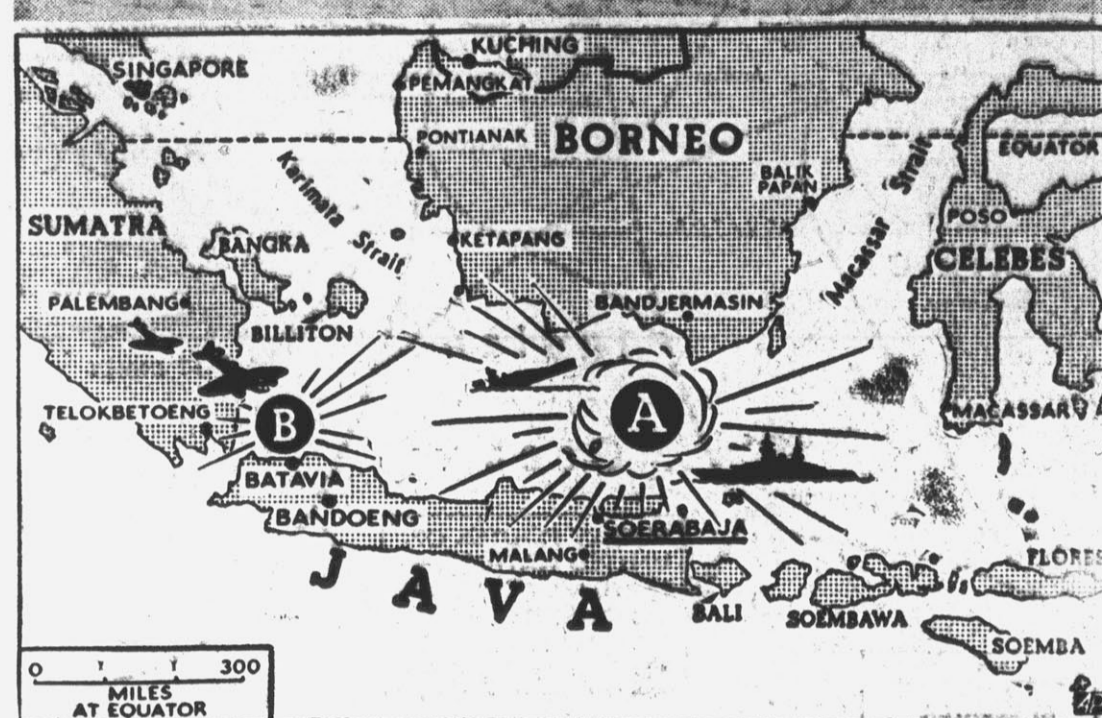
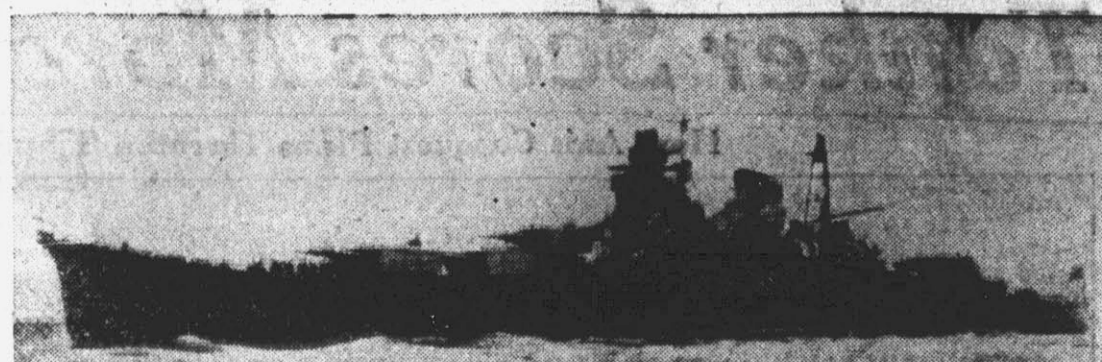
Nine Billion . . .

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The coming clash between Hitler and the allies is likely to be the big showdown, that is, the battle which will determine how far the Fuehrer can go. Small wonder then that Hitler is bent on cutting our sea-lanes and thus depriving our European allies of the assistance they need to initiate successful offensives against the Germans.

Reds Striking . . .

(Continued from Page One)
A Berlin military spokesman said the Russians were marshaling prodigious forces all along the front and attacking at times in 40 or 50 waves regardless of casualties. These statements were relayed to Switzerland and Sweden, in apparent contradiction to the Axis policy of minimizing rough going. A Berlin dispatch of the Zurich newspaper Die Tat stated that Russia obviously was starting "a fantastic effort to bring about a decision."

Where Naval Forces Clashed Near Java



The Japanese cruiser Mogami was reported by the U. S. Navy Department in Washington as "put out of action" in the naval battle off Java. Picture at top shows cruiser Kumano, same class as the Mogami. After United Nations forces turned back a Japanese invasion armada aimed at the Soerabaja naval base (indicated by ship symbols A) reports from Batavia (B), which was under attack, said Japanese had succeeded in landing troops on Java.

Torpedoed Tanker Burns Off New Jersey Coast



Smoke pours from the port side of the tanker R. P. Resor as she drifts burning and buckled off the Jersey coast after being torpedoed. Note seas washing over the center of the ship.

joined through the capital on their way to join the front-line campaigners.

This would indicate a basis for German declarations that Nazi aerial scouts had seen great columns of fresh Soviet soldiers moving up; that many 52-ton tanks and long-range guns were assaulting German positions in the Donets basin and the Crimea.

Berlin, however, may be over-emphasizing the situation to cover fresh German activity or to convince London and Washington that Russia does not actually need the aid and non-discriminatory aid of the second front which her leaders have sought.

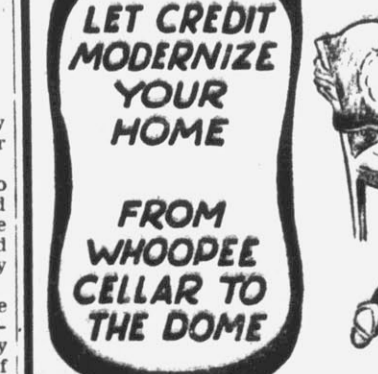
Under his plan, the first dollar of a person's taxable income would be taxed at the rate of 16 per cent, instead of the present minimum rate

of 6 per cent. Tax rates would increase rapidly until a maximum rate of 90 per cent would apply to income in excess of \$5,000,000.

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Hartford Bees To Arrive About April 1 For Training

PLAN SEVERAL GAMES IN CITY

Local Fans To Get Opportunity To See Some Baseball

It was officially announced today that the Hartford (Conn.) Bees of the Class A Eastern League, would arrive about the first of April, be here for about four weeks and play several exhibition games during the period.

Charles Blossfield, secretary of the club, which is a farm of the Boston Nationals, wrote Manager David Turner of the Proctor hotel, where the team will make headquarters that the club would arrive during the first few days of next month.

The secretary included a partial list of the men to come here, showing 19 already booked and said additional names would be added as the players' contracts came in.

Exhibition games already scheduled are April 11, Binghamton at Greenville; April 15, Hartford at Edenton; April 16, Springfield at Greenville; April 25, Binghamton at Greenville; April 26, Hartford at Edenton.

The secretary wrote that the team would like to schedule about four more dates at Greenville.

The Coastal Plain will not operate this year and the training period will offer Greenville baseball fans their only opportunity to see a professional team in action in this city this season.

Last year the Richmond Colts trained here and the year before the Harrisburg, Pa., team did its spring training here.

Training Camp Briefs

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

(By The Associated Press) Anaheim, Calif.—The broken leg rookie outfielder George Donaldson of the Philadelphia Athletics suffered Sunday probably will keep him out of the lineup all season and may end his baseball career. Donaldson's leg was broken in two places when he attempted to slide.

Tampa, Fla.—Veteran Val Goodman—with young Eddie Lukon as a rival for the right field job—is showing his old time form in the Cincinnati batting drill.

Lakeland, Fla.—Schoolboy Rowe, Detroit Tiger who once went back to the minors to cure a sore arm, is having his upper teeth extracted in the hope of getting rid of some aches and pains.

Miami, Fla.—Skinny Tommy Hughes, righthander who won nine games for the Phillies in 1941, gained 10 pounds during the winter and expects his added weight to increase the speed of his fast ball.

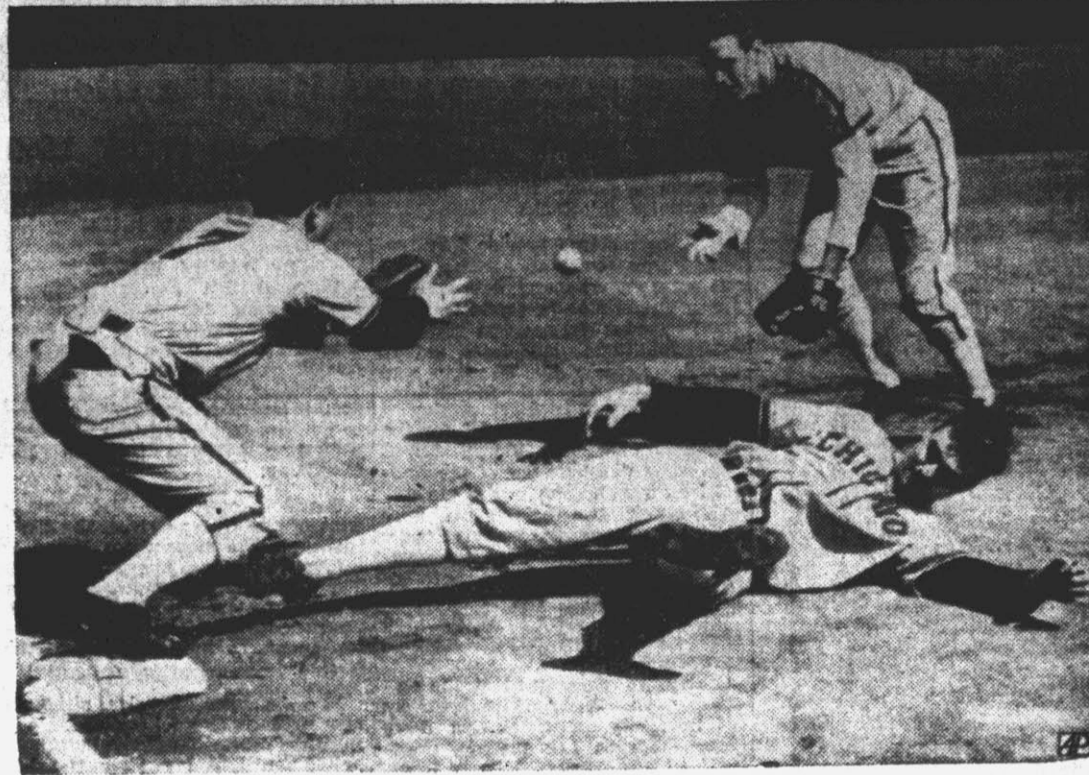
Havana—Manager Leo Durocher of the Brooklyn Dodgers said today that Arky Vaughan, whom the club obtained from Pittsburgh to play third base, would hit in the No. 9 slot and that Bill Herman, former holder of that position, would be dropped to seventh.

Pasadena, Calif.—Pitcher Thornton Lee of the Chicago Sox pitched 27 2/3 innings when he arrived in camp and hopes to lose 10 of them—but no more before the season starts. He formerly tried to reduce to 200 but last year stopped at 215 and won 22 games.

Orlando, Fla.—Two rookie infielders from the American Association, Stan Gille at third and Bob

GOLDSBORO AND GREENVILLE DECIDE TITLE TONIGHT

White Sox Infielders Get Down To Hard Work



The first day of spring practice at Pasadena, Calif., found these Chicago White Sox infielders cavorting around in mid-season form. Left to right: Dario Lodigiani, third baseman; Bob Kennedy, another third baseman, sliding, and Murrell Jones, infielder.

Respass at second, had their first trials with the Washington Senators and appear virtually unopposed.

St. Petersburg, Fla.—Rookie hurlers will get the nod in early spring games, manager Billy Southworth of the St. Louis Cards indicated today as his club prepared for its coming clashes this week-end with the New York Yankees.

El Centro, Calif.—The Pittsburgh Pirates and the San Diego club of the Pacific Coast League meet today, with receipts going to the fund to purchase recreational equipment for soldiers.

Miami, Fla.—The New York Giants will be reunited today. A part of the team flew home from Havana yesterday but adverse weather kept the other half in the Cuban city.

Deland, Fla.—Almost as many St. Louis Brown pitchers and catchers were absent yesterday from the club's first workout as were present. Missing were pitchers Eldon Auker, Bob Muncief and Denny Galehouse, and catchers Rick Ferrell and Bob Swift.

Clearwater, Fla.—Oscar Grimes, who had been classed as a candidate for the vacant first base job with the Cleveland Indians, said today he was trying for the second base post held down by Ray Mack.

Excessive Rental Areas Designated

Washington, March 3—(AP)—Leon Henderson, price administrator who also has authority to enforce control of rents in defense areas, has directed 20 communities in 13 states to reduce "inflated" rents or "the government will move in and do the job."

The communities were designated "defense rental areas" and put on formal notice that they had 60 days within which to restore rents to "proper levels."

Those in the south were: Columbus, Ga., Jan. 1, 1941; Birmingham, Ala., Mobile, Ala., Wilmington, N. C., Hampton Roads Va., all April 1, 1941.



MAMMY SONG—Out of the heavens will come that pop soul Rookie Catcher Kenneth Sears is waiting for, at the Yankee camp in St. Petersburg, Fla. He's up from Newark with a batting average of .288. His father is Umpire Ziggy Sears.

GAME SET FOR COURT AT ETC

Earthquakes Boast 2 1942 Victories Over Locals

Tonight is the big night for the local Green Phantoms who will attempt for the fourth time, the first three being successful, to conquer the Eastern conference cage championship. When the opening whistle blows at 8 o'clock in the Wright building of E. C. T. C., probably one of the largest crowds ever to see a basketball game in Greenville will watch the Goldsboro Earthquakes and the locals have it out.

Conference officials this year eliminated the annual tournament for deciding the lone champions, and decided to let the team with the highest percentage take the conference crown.

The Phantoms hit their stride at the end of their regular season's play with a win over the "six foot" Wilcox aggregation and the scrappy Washington Pam Park.

Add all this up and the Phantoms have a nice chance of knocking over the Earthquakes. However it should be remembered that Goldsboro was the only conference team that the G-Men could not get at least one victory over.

It will be "Lanky" Tom Riddle six-foot center of the G-Men who will be leading the Phantoms tonight with approximately 150 points to his credit in regular season play. The G-Men also have two capable forwards in Gene Johnson and Larry Haden, runner-up to Riddle in the point parade. "Mildred" Ben Henson and "Fighting" Ernest Musselwhite at the guard positions will compose Coach Farley's starting line-up.

Goldsboro will be led by Clyde King and Bud Pate, forward and center of the Earthquake's team respectively.

Expectations are that tonight's tilt will be one of the finest games witnessed in this section this season with the Phantoms trying to retain the conference crown against a capable challenger in the Goldsboro Earthquakes.

WANT ADS PAY

SELL-OUT FOR TOURNEY SEEN

Tickets To Annual Event Going Like Hot Cakes

Raleigh, March 3—(AP)—Basketball fans seem to have decided that the Southern Conference tournament here Thursday, Friday and Saturday is going to offer some thrill-packed games, for tourney tickets have been selling like hot cakes.

Willis Zehmer, tournament business manager, said today that tickets for Friday night's semi-finals were sold out and that the season tickets were almost gone.

About 400 tickets for the Thursday afternoon program and 400 others for the Thursday night games are left, and Saturday night's finals lack only about 700 tickets of being a sell-out, Zehmer said.

Raleigh's Memorial auditorium in which the tournament will be played will seat approximately 4,000 persons, and so the attendance will be about 16,000 if the tourney is a complete sell-out.

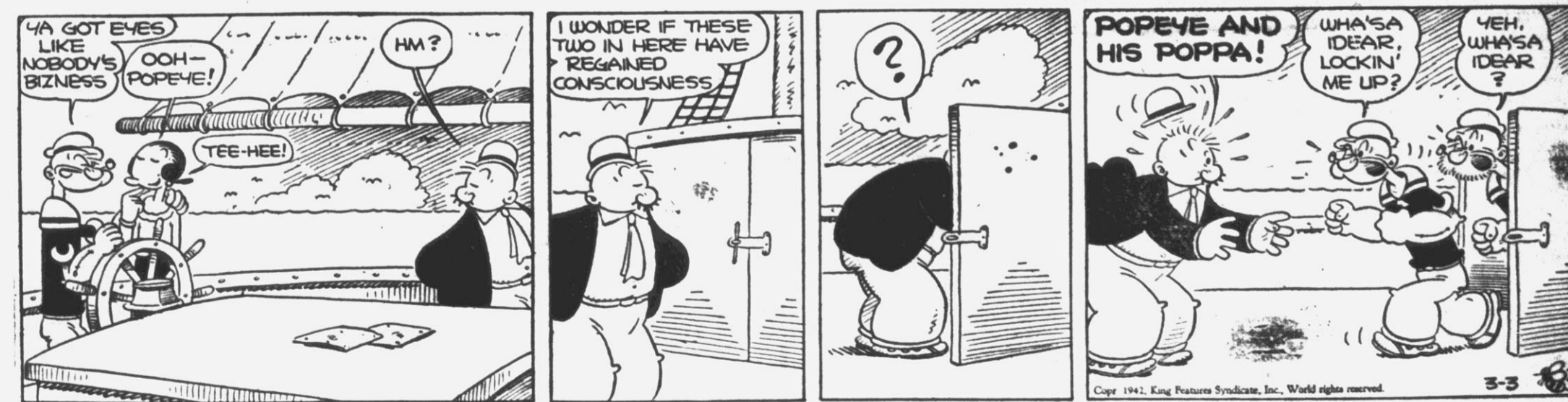
Duke and Washington and Lee will play in the opening game at 2:30 Thursday afternoon, and a game between N. C. State and South Carolina will follow at 4 p. m. Wake Forest and North Carolina are scheduled to play at 8 p. m. and George Washington and William and Mary will meet at 9:30 p. m.

The winner of the Duke-Washington and Lee game will play the Wake Forest-North Carolina winner at 8 o'clock Friday evening and the N. C. State-South Carolina winner will play the George Washington-William and Mary winner at 9:30 p. m. Winners of these games will meet in the finals at 8 o'clock Saturday evening.

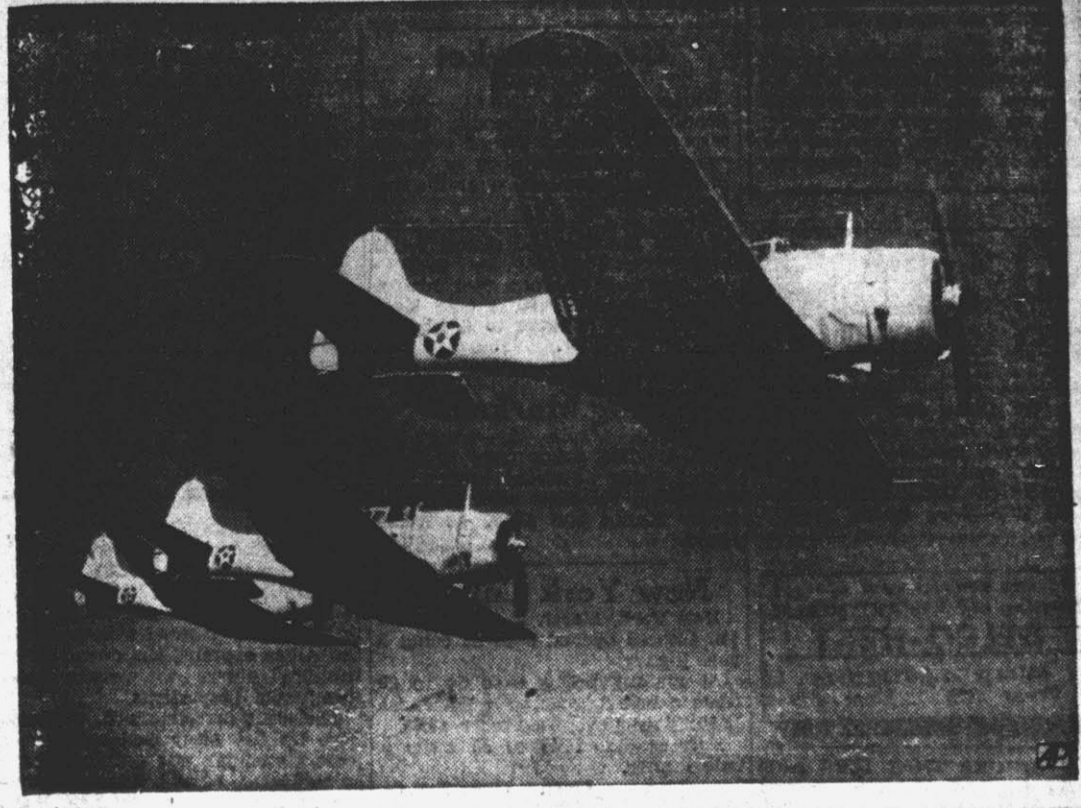
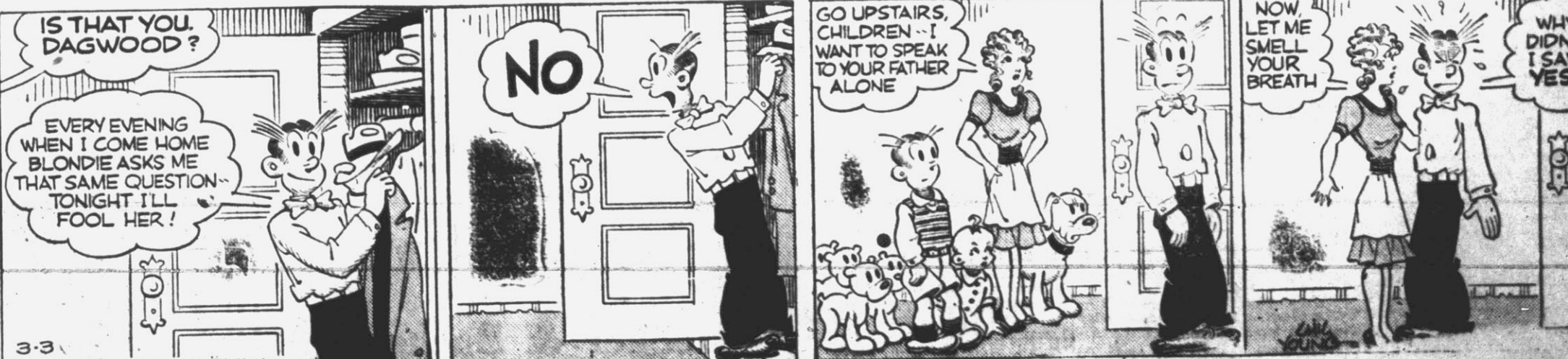
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DIVE INTO FAME—Three Navy dive bombers, Douglas SBD, skim through California skies, powered by Wright-Cyclone engines. The Army's Douglas A-24 is an adaptation of this plane. This type bomber recently figured, along with F-40 fighters, in a successful attack by American air forces on Japanese shipping massed off the coast of Bali, N.E.I.

British Food Loss Not "Substantial"

London, March 3 (AP)—A British spokesman, reporting that Britain's loss of food through ship sinkings had not been "really substantial," asserted today that the nation's essential food stocks at the end of 1941 were 30 per cent higher than at the end of 1940.

Nevertheless, he said, it may be necessary to reduce existing rations to some extent.

Food imports will be reduced, he said, but thanks to the policy of building reserves the nation will be adequately fed.

He indicated, however, that rationing would be extended to some foodstuffs now sold without restrictions.

The improved food condition, he said, is due to "very substantial" United States aid, and increased home production.

Between May 1, 1941, and January 1, 1942, Britain received lease-lend food approximately equal to one month's imports from all the sources. American canned meat comprised one-fifth of the nation's meat ration.

"We extend our sincere thanks and admiration for the way in which the government and people of the United States have helped us with food," he said.

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Trousers For Men Will Be Cuffless

Washington, March 3. — (AP) — The War Production Board today became style arbiter for the nation with a decree permitting only cuffless, pleated and frill-less "victory suits" to be manufactured for men and boys from March 30 on.

Ruled out entirely were two-pants suits, vests for double-breasted suits, full dress coats, the cutaway coat and double breasted tuxedo coat. Those addicted to evening wear must be content with the single breasted tuxedo coat.

Overcoats, too, came under the order which is expected to save 40 to 50 million pounds of wool for the armed forces. They will be shorter and less full than present fashions or overcoats, and will have no belts, cuffs or sleeves, outside patch pockets or fancy backs.

To the casual observer the only noticeable change in men's suits will be the absence of trouser cuffs, WPB said. The board feared an abrupt style change would start a buying rush for "victory suits" which would defeat the conservation aims of the order.

Richmond Livestock

(Courtesy J. N. and J. L. Williams) Richmond, March 3.—Hogs, market steady with Friday, top \$12.35, good and choice 100-225 lbs. \$12.35, 100-120 lbs. \$10.85, 120-140 lbs. \$11.35, 140-160 lbs. \$11.85, 160-180 lbs. \$12.15, 225-250 lbs. \$2.25, 250-300 lbs. \$11.90, over 300 lbs. \$11.65, sows under 250 lbs. \$10.85; over 250 lbs. \$9.85, stags \$8.85.

Grain Market

Chicago, March 3.—(AP)—Modification of the Commodity Credit Corporation's wheat selling program caused a sharp advance in wheat prices here today. Other grains rose sympathetically.

Wheat was up as much as 2 cents early in the day and closed 1/4-1/2 higher than yesterday, May \$1.27, July \$1.20, corn 1/4-1/2 higher, May 87 1/2, July 89 1/2; oats 1/4-3/4 up; soybeans 1/2 lower to 3/4 higher; Rye 1/4-1/2 higher.

Hog Market

Raleigh, March 3.—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog prices were 10 cents higher today at Rocky Mount and Richmond, Va. Tops were \$12.10 at Rocky Mount and \$12.35 at Richmond.

New York Cotton

New York, March 3.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 5 to 20 cents a bale higher.

At midday prices, were 50 to 65 cents a bale higher with March at 18.50; July 18.81; December 18.92.

Futures closed 45 to 55 cents a bale higher.

	Open	Close	Prv. Cl.
Mar.	18.43	18.49	18.40
May	18.60	18.66	18.56
July	18.71	18.77	18.68
Oct.	18.78	18.88	18.77
Dec.	18.89	18.92	18.81
Jan.	18.85	18.84	

Middling spot 20.28, up 9.

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, March 3.—(AP)—Short covering in a handful of blue chips got the stock market back on its feet today after leaders had exhibited early stumbling propensities. Closing quotations generally were higher. Dealings picked up for a while but slow-downs kept the volume under 400,000 shares.

FINAL STOCKS

Air Reduction	34
Allis Chalmers	28 1/2
Am Can	61 1/2
Am Car Fdy	31 1/2
Am Rad and St S	4 1/2
Am Roll Mill	11 1/2
Am Smelt and Ref	39 1/2
Am Sug Ref	17 1/2
A T and T	129 1/2
Am Tob B	49 1/2
Anacostia	27 1/2
Arm III	3 1/2
A C L	20
Atl Ref	20
Aviat Corp	3 1/2
Baldwin	13 1/2
Bendix Aviat	36 1/2
Beth Stl	61 1/2
Boeing Airpl	18 1/2
Borden	20
Briggs Mfg	18 1/2
Burl Mills	18
Bur Add Mach	7
Case J I	63 1/2
Caterpill Trac	34 1/2
Champ P and F	16 1/2
Ches and O	33 1/2
Chrysler	52 1/2
Coca Cola	62 1/2
Coml Credit	18 1/2
Consol Solv	8 1/2
Consol Sols	42 1/2
Con Oil	5 1/2
Cont Can	26 1/2
Corn Prod	52 1/2
Curtiss Wright	7 1/2
Doug Air	63 1/2
Dow Chem	110
Dupont	110 1/2
Eastman Kod	130
Elec Auto Lt	23 1/2
Firestone	15 1/2
Prepport Sul	36
Gen Elec	25 1/2
Gen Foods	32 1/2
Gen Mot	34 1/2
Goodrich	15
Goodyear	13 1/2
Int Harvest	48 1/2
Int Tel and Tel	2 1/2
Johns Man	61 1/2
Kennecott	33 1/2
Kroger Groc	27
Libby O F GI	21 1/2
Ligg and Myers B	67
Loews	40 1/2
Lorillard	13 1/2
Louis and Nash	68 1/2
Mont Ward	27
Nash Kelv	4 1/2
Nat Biscuit	15 1/2
Nat Cash Reg	14
Nat Dairy Prod	14 1/2
Nat Dist	20 1/2
NY Cent	9
No Am Aviat	12 1/2
Otis Elev	12 1/2
Pac Mills	16 1/2
Packard	2 1/2
Param Pix	14 1/2
Penny J C	68
Penn RR	23 1/2
Pepps Cola	16 1/2
Phillips Pet	24 1/2
Pullman	26 1/2
Pure Oil	9
Radio	2 1/2
Rep Stl	18
Reynolds B	25 1/2
Sears	50
Sou Ry	17 1/2
Sperry	27
Std Oil N J	37
Tex Co	35
Tex Gulf Sul	33 1/2
Un Carb	64 1/2
Unit Aire	32
Unit Corp	9-32
Unit Drug	5 1/2
US Rub	15 1/2
US Smelt and Ref	46
US Steel	52 1/2
Vanadium	18 1/2
Warner Pic	5 1/2
Western Union	25 1/2
West Elec and Mig	75 1/2
Woolworth	26 1/2
Yell T and C	12 1/2
Total Sales	409,120

DUTCH DIRECT JAVA DEFENSE

Gen. Wavell Returns To Former Post In India

London, March 3.—(AP)—The British and Indian defenders of Burma, now under personal command of General Sir Archibald Wavell, were reported today holding fast along the line of the Sittang river and bracing themselves for a full scale assault which the Japanese were believed preparing to launch from bases already won.

Washington, March 3.—(AP)—In Java's most desperate hour the Dutch took over supreme command of the fight for the Indies today after the United Nations acknowledged that Japanese successes had split the Allied front in the south Pacific, creating a grave threat to British India.

The removal of Sir Archibald Wavell as commander in chief in the Indies and his return to his former post as commander in chief in India was pointed evidence that the Allies expected the enemy drive through Burma to assume more formidable proportions.

The shift in commands, disclosed here by the Army and Navy in a joint statement, was not considered an indication of any sudden worsening of the situation in Java. On the contrary, the belief was that Wavell had transferred his headquarters to Burma before the Japanese opened their all-out assault on Java.

The joint Army-Navy statement made plain that the move meant no change in plans for "general coordination of strategic policy" but had been taken for tactical considerations.

"After the loss of Malaya," it explained, "and the entry of the Japanese into Sumatra, which separated Burma from The Netherlands East Indies, it was agreed that command of land, sea and air forces of the United Nations in The Netherlands East Indies should pass to the Dutch, who are continuing to receive all available assistance from the United Nations."

There was a hint that the Wavell transfer might have political as well as military significance, for well-informed sources in London believed it could foreshadow a British offer of dominion status to India.

Wavell, one of the most respected Allied generals, was regarded as a man who could make the most of the upsurge of national feeling that would result in India and make it a fighting force.

However, while the United Nations still were forced to fight holding actions, except in Russia, there was official assurance that preparations for offensive operations were under way.

Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the U. S. fleet, and General George C. Marshall, U. S. Army chief of staff, both declared yesterday that the armed forces were getting ready to carry the fight to the foe.

Even Dozen Cases In Today's Court

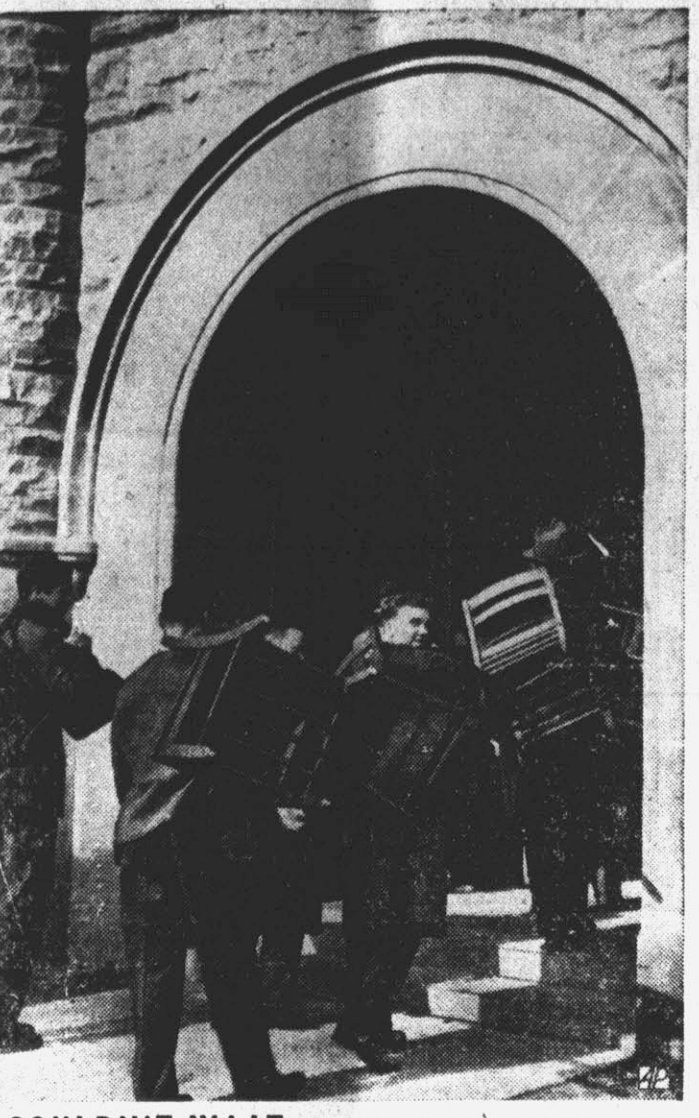
An even dozen cases were disposed of in Pitt county court this morning. They follow:

Samuel Speight, colored, abandoned, pay cost; Courtney Patrick, carrying concealed weapon, pay fine and costs; Joe Hatley, colored, pay \$5 now and \$1.50 weekly for support of family; Mayhew Brown Taylor, driving without license and without proper lights and brakes, pay \$25; George N. Nobles, speeding, pay costs, license suspended 10 days; Willie Mills, colored, driving careless and reckless, pay cost, license suspended 10 days; L. N. Ligon Jr, speeding, pay \$25, license suspended 10 days; William Fred Mills, drunk on highway, and Luther Lloyd driving drunk, Mills pay cost and Lloyd, pay \$50 and license revoked for 12 months; Selling O. A. Joyner, speeding and driving carrier truck without proper license, pay cost, license suspended 10 days; Ralph Sutton, speeding and driving careless and reckless, 30 days suspended upon payment of \$25, license suspended 90 days; George Bell, trespass and assault, acquitted.

Invents Suit For U.S. Armed Forces

A suit of armor to protect members of the armed forces from bullet and shrapnel wounds in the body has been invented by Ollie Ray Boyd of Pinetown, and submitted to the National Inventors Council for full study of its possibilities. Boyd has just returned from a meeting of the council in Washington where he submitted his model suit and where application for patent was filed.

According to Boyd, who visited Greenville today, the suit, weighing



COULDN'T WAIT—Impatient because hardware shortages held up opening of Norman H. Mayer Memorial building on campus in New Orleans, Tulane university commerce and business students carried their own desks into \$100,000 structure.

DEFENDS SELF WAR SPENDING IN WAR TRIAL AT NEW PEAK

Daladier Places The Blame For Fall On Industry

Riom, Unoccupied France, March 3.—(AP)—Former Premier Edouard Daladier, defending himself against an accusation of being partly responsible for France's war defeat, charged today that French industrialists sabotaged war factories to slow down arms production.

He named specifically the Schneider-Creuzot steel trust, which he declared refused to form a joint government-private industry combine to manufacture arms in North Africa.

Appearing in his own defense before the special "war guilt" court, Daladier said his proposal had been made to Schneider-Creuzot after all arms plants in France had been nationalized by former Premier Leon Blum's government in 1936.

Following the Schneider-Creuzot refusal, Daladier said, he approached Edgar Brandt, another arms manufacturer, who first accepted the suggestion, then backed down. The plan eventually was accepted, however, just before the outbreak of the war when "it was too late," Daladier testified.

He likewise charged Schneider-Creuzot with "isolating" nationalized steel plants by refusing to let the rest of their combine, representing all phases of iron and steel manufacture, to cooperate with them.

The former premier also accused Brandt directly of sabotage, asserting the steel producer stole planes for manufacturing 60 and 80 millimeter mortars from his own plant at Chatillon after the factory had been nationalized.

approximately 60 pounds for the average size man, is made of nickel steel and will turn a 50-caliber bullet at a distance of 300 yards. The suit was tried out on dummies, he said, and the force of the bullets would knock the dummy down rather than pierce the armor. Out of 500 shots, he said, only a few even struck into the armor and the greatest depth penetrated by a bullet was 70 per cent; 30 caliber bullets fired at a distance of 400 feet splattered from the armor hardly making a depression.

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Important Agreements Signed By U.S., Brazil

Provide For Brazilian Increase In Armaments

Washington, March 3. — (AP) — Brazil and the United States today signed three important agreements designed to increase Brazilian production of strategic war materials and give the big South American republic greater defense against potential Axis attacks.

The agreements provide for:

1. Formation of an Amazon Basin development company that will increase production of products, principally rubber, in the vast region.
2. Additional lend-lease aid to Brazil to strengthen its navy and army.
3. Earmarking \$14,000,000 for the completion of the Victoria-Minas railroad which taps one of the richest iron ore deposits in the world.

The first two agreements were signed by Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles, Brazilian Ambassador Carlos Martins and Brazilian Finance Minister Arthur Desouza Costa, who has been in Washington for the past month negotiating with government officials.

The third was signed at the Reconstruction Finance headquarters by Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones, Warren Lee Pierson, president of the Export Import Bank, Will Clayton, deputy federal loan administrator, and the Brazilian finance minister.

How much money was involved in the lend-lease agreement was not disclosed. It was signed less than six months after Brazil and the United States entered into a \$100,000,000 lend-lease pact.

The Amazon Basin Development Company is also designed to increase production of Bauxite, tropical vegetable oils, drugs and other strategic products. However, the greatest effort will be expended in attempting to develop the Brazilian rubber supply to offset as far as possible the loss of rubber from the East Indies.

Negro Store Keeper Held In Larceny Case

Jonah Reese, Greenville Negro who runs a store at the corner of Fourteenth and Railroad streets, is being held under \$500 bond on a charge of breaking, entering and receiving in connection with the theft of quantities of cheese, lard and other produce from a Washington, N. C., slaughter house.

Chief Clark declared that the local Negro was working in cooperation with two Washington Negroes in the robbery and disposition of the produce. He said that the Negroes had carried out large illegal operations in this manner.

February Expenditures Total \$2,201,081,089

Washington, March 3. — (AP) — War spending reached a new peak of \$2,201,081,089 in February.

The Treasury, supplying this figure today, said that although the month had three fewer days, its spending record was \$100,000,000 more than January. Also, the amount was nearly four times the rate of February last year.

February costs brought defense spending for the first eight months of the fiscal year to \$12,516,021,882. The government will have to spend nearly that much more in the remaining four months of the year to meet President Roosevelt's budget estimate of \$23,996,525,400.

French Hostages

Vichy, March 3.—(AP)—German military authorities announced in Paris today that 20 hostages would be shot in reprisal for the killing of a Nazi sentry Sunday.

The German account said four youths attacked a Paris sentry post Sunday morning and one of them killed the soldier with a pistol shot. Another placed a bomb which was discovered before it exploded. All escaped.

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J. L. Wooten Among Top 24 In Duke Class

Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Wooten have been advised by Duke University officials that their son, John L. Wooten, a freshman at the institution, has been ranked among the top 24 in a class of 500 and that the student's average is of the level required by National Scholarship Fraternity for Phi Beta Kappa, the highest scholastic honor to be bestowed on a student.

The local young man has just been pledged by the Kappa Alpha social fraternity.

Heavy Snow ...

(Continued from page one) last night after the snow had put the school bus out of commission and 18 children from Black Mountain school were housed overnight at the Monte Vista in Black Mountain when they were unable to reach their homes on snow-covered secondary roads.

The Highway and Public Works Commission, meanwhile, operated 56 snow plows on main roads but Division Engineer J. C. Walker said it was virtually impossible to keep the highways open because of drifts.

Bus traffic was virtually at a standstill throughout Western North Carolina and those railroad trains operating were several hours behind schedules.

TODAY AT THE MOVIES

Pitt—DR. KILDARE'S VICTORY—Lew Ayres, Lionel Barrymore and Donna Reed.

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