

NIPPON OFFENSIVE WIDENS

FBI Agent Slain Attempting To Arrest Army Deserters

MEN TAKEN IN VIRGINIA CITY

Another Officer Seriously Wounded
When Fired On By Two Men Who Deserted Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.; Soldiers Had Escaped After Holding Up Taxi Driver Yesterday

Abingdon, Va., March 13. (AP)—Two Army deserters who shot and killed one F. B. I. agent and wounded another seriously, were captured in an abandoned house on the outskirts of Abingdon this afternoon.

More than a hundred federal, state and local officers surrounded the house and a number of shots were exchanged before tear gas forced the soldiers out.

The fugitive pair were captured a few hours after the agent who sought to arrest them fell dead and his companion wounded under a hail of pistol fire that began in an all-night cafe in this southwest Virginia town.

Agent Hubert J. Treacy, Jr., 28, was shot to death and Charles L. Tignor, 29, was wounded five times. They were attempting to arrest two soldiers from Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., Charles J. Lovett, 21, and James Evans Testerman, 22.

The soldier pair, who blazed away as soon as the agents identified themselves in the all-night cafe, had been sought since Thursday when, according to H. I. Bobbitt, special agent in charge of the Richmond F. B. I. office, they stole a supply of pistols and ammunition from the fort, kidnapped a taxi driver and escaped into Tennessee.

The driver of the taxi was released at Cleveland, Tenn., and the men drove on to Abingdon, where Treacy and Tignor, tipped by the Nashville F. B. I. office, were on the lookout.

Wallace Ford, another agent, said Treacy was killed instantly and Tignor was wounded in the arm in the cafe as the men, still in army uniforms, ran out. Tignor, giving chase, fell on the street with four bullet wounds in his chest.

Ford said the pair, each holding two pistols, attempted to commandeer a car owned by Andy Hilton of Abingdon, but Town Policeman Troy Combs panned his machine into Hilton's. Combs exchanged gunfire with the men as they fled.

The men attempted to take over another car driven by Mrs. Elizabeth Kreger but she pulled the keys out and tossed them across the street.

The soldiers then ran off in the direction of Lebanon and throughout this morning were the objects of an intensive search throughout southwest Virginia.

All state troops in the area were mobilized immediately and they were joined by 65 local officers attending an F. B. I. school at nearby Bristol.

W. H. Murphy, chief of the F. B. I. office in Knoxville, said there that the pair beat a Fort Oglethorpe sentry severely before commandeering the taxicab. The sentry was identified at Fort Oglethorpe as Sergeant Clifton Hall of Roosevelt, Ga., and his condition was described as critical today.

Murphy said that both men were privates in the Third Cavalry as (Continued on Page Six)

You, Too, Can Help

Many Greenville citizens with a genuine desire to do their bit to make service men's stay here an enjoyable one, but are unable to provide a room, now have an opportunity to help with no trouble and little expense.

The men, soldiers, sailors and marines, enjoy coming to Greenville, but many find that their meager pay does not permit many cafe meals. With this in view, officials are calling on local citizens to bear the expense of meals for one or more week-end visitors.

Anyone interested or desiring more information should telephone Mrs. F. B. Haar, number 3829, or after 2 p. m. Saturday, the Woman's club building, 5115.

There is still a need for homes and anyone willing to accommodate one or more service men for the week-end is urged to call either of the two numbers.

Reds Beat Nazis To Draw In Opening Spring Drive

A U-Boat Victim Sinks Off New Jersey



The bow of the sinking Gulf Oil tanker, Gulftrade, juts above the waves less than four miles off Barnegat, N. J., after a single torpedo from an enemy U-boat split the ship in half.

Brazilian Riot Squads Disperse Angry Crowds

PITT DEFENSE IS ORGANIZED

Civil Protection Program On Permanent Basis

The Civilian Defense Civil Protection program for the city of Greenville and all other towns of Pitt county has been placed on a permanent basis, the control center for Greenville being the Municipal building and the fire station and in case of any emergency the heads of the various departments will immediately assemble at the Municipal building, main floor, and go into action.

The head of the Auxiliary Police Service is George Clark who also heads the air raid wardens. The Auxiliary Fire Service is headed by George Gardner. Chief Gardner is also the official who receives the signals for an alert in case of an air raid. The signals come from Norfolk.

The head of the Emergency Medical Division is Dr. J. L. Winstead, who is setting up first aid stations and emergency centers in various parts of the city, including the hospital, the college infirmary and the Fifth Street Negro school gymnasium.

Emergency feeding will be carried on at the Fifth Street school gymnasium and the Greenville High School gymnasium. Both of these places have large kitchen units located in the buildings.

The head of the Public Works Division is C. K. Beatty, who will have the assistance of the State Highway force located here.

The head of the Public Utilities Division is Martin Swartz.

Classes already have been started for auxiliary firemen and are continuing each night at the fire station. First aid classes for auxiliary firemen and auxiliary police, air raid wardens and other workers will start on March 30 at the Municipal court room under the direction of the American Red Cross. This will be a 10-hour course.

J. H. Rose, county chairman, has received reports that Farmville, Ayden and Bethel have perfected their organizations. Sheriff J. Knott Proctor is continuing the task of instructing all rural auxiliary police and rural air raid wardens.

In case of any emergency in Pitt county there will be immediate action on the part of all the units. Discussing the progress made on the program, Chairman Rose said (Continued on Page Six)

Citizens Apparently Intent On Resuming Disorders

Rio De Janeiro, March 13.—(AP)—Shots fired into the air by police and riot squads dispersed a crowd of about 500 persons gathered today in front of German stores, apparently intent on resuming yesterday's anti-Nazi disorders.

Newspapers and radio stations told nothing of yesterday's riots except the official announcement that "special measures were taken to maintain order."

At noon time a crowd again halted traffic in one of the main avenues. Rio Branco, until police dispersed it with riot clubs and more shots in the air. Many persons were injured slightly.

A police official said that all available riot squads and special police were on emergency duty and that the situation was under control.

"We are acting to prevent further damage," he said, adding that some Germans found on the street were being held temporarily for their own protection.

Planes Seen Over Paris Again Today

Vichy, March 13.—(AP)—Paris had a 45-minute air raid alert today as an RAF scouting force cruised over the occupied capital, forced suspension of horse racing at the Vincennes track and surveyed the manufacturing area in the southwestern worker district. No bombs were dropped.

The planes were sighted over the Champs Elysees and Passy sections of western Paris on the right bank of the Seine and then passed over to the 15th arrondissement, an industrial quarter in southern Paris.

The first alarm—one of the few which Paris has had since the occupation in 1940 because German authorities ruled they disturbed civilian life more than raids themselves—sounded at 240 p. m. Paris time (8:40 a. m., E. W. T.).

Another alarm in Vincennes, on the eastern outskirts, eight minutes later delayed the start of the week-end racing program. The all-clear sounded throughout the city at 3:25 p. m. (9:25 a. m., E. W. T.).

Bomb Strikes Canberra, Australia, March 13.—(AP)—In a ruling expected to ban all strikes for the duration of the war, the Australian war cabinet decided today to enforce a national security statute requiring workers to stay on the job under normal wage rates and working conditions.

Although Dipping Deep Into Reserves Trained For Their Own Counter-Offensive, Germans Declared To Be Unable To Stem Marshal Timoshenko's Divisions On Southern Front

London, March 13.—(AP)—Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's terrific southern front onslaught with perhaps 90 Red army divisions was reported today to have beaten the Germans to the punch in a pre-spring offensive for control of the Donets Basin and the road to the Caucasus.

From Stockholm came word that the Germans had been forced to dip anew into reserves trained for their own spring push and still were unable to stem the new power drive by the Soviet forces estimated at 1,250,000 to 1,500,000 strong.

The Germans in their communique acknowledged their troops were on the defensive in the Donets basin, counter-attacking against "strong enemy forces."

London observers said the objective of the hard-hitting Red army marshal was the Dnieper bend, natural defense line in the heart of the Ukraine.

His forward forces have been reported within 30 to 40 miles of the bend in sectors northeast of Dnepropetrovsk.

Moscow, March 13.—(AP)—Soviet authorities declared broadly today that Red army troops were "breaking the resistance of the German fascists" in their winter offensive operations, merging now with aggressive preparations for spring campaigns.

"The enemy is sustaining heavy losses in war equipment and manpower," the Soviet information bureau reiterated.

Engagements in which more than 1,400 German officers and men were killed northwest of Moscow were reported by the bureau in its mid-day communique.

Red army forces on the Leningrad front it said, destroyed more than 1,000 Germans in one day's fighting.

Between there and Moscow, in the Kalinin area, it added, 420 German officers and men were killed in a day and a transport column of 38 vehicles was smashed.

"Spring is a week away by the calendar, but its advent across the steppes marshes and forests of Russia is normally a chilly occasion. The last days of frost are experienced for the most part in April. They come in May, however, above the 55th parallel—which cuts through the Smolensk-Vyazma zone between the threat made yesterday to Arctic Murmansk."

Both Berlin and Moscow strategists must take into account thaws and spring rains which convert dirt roads into seas of mud, frozen marshes into bogs, rivers into flooded channels of grinding ice floes.

Russians continued to advance yesterday and in certain sectors occupied several more communities, a communique announced. Neither the sectors nor the communities were identified.

Berlin.—(From German Broadcasts) March 13.—(AP)—The German high command reported today that its troops, still on the (Continued on page six)

U. S. BOMBERS ARE EFFECTIVE IN NEW GUINEA

Five Enemy Planes Said To Have Been Destroyed

HARBOR DAMAGE ALSO REPORTED

Five American Bombers Escape Damage; Situation In Bataan, Meanwhile, Continues Unchanged

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—The War Department reported today that five American Army heavy bombers destroyed five enemy planes in a raid two days ago on Japanese-held airdromes at Salamaua and Lae in New Guinea.

The communique said all buildings were destroyed, heavy damage inflicted on runways and a direct hit made on a pier in the harbor of Lae.

All the American bombers escaped damage in the fight with a formation of Japanese pursuit planes, which suffered the loss of five craft.

A spokesman said the raid presumably was among those reported in dispatches from Australia, but the results of the air attack were believed new.

Meanwhile the situation on the Bataan fighting front in the Philippines was reported unchanged. For five consecutive days, following the disclosure that Lieut. Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita had been shifted to command of the invaders in the Philippines, military activity has been at a virtually complete halt on the besieged Philippine peninsula.

The text of the War Department's communique, No. 145, based on reports received here up to 9:30 a. m., EWT today:

"1. Philippine theater:

"The situation in Bataan is unchanged.

"2. New Guinea:

"Five American Army heavy bombers of the flying fortress type raided the Japanese-held airdromes at Salamaua and Lae in New Guinea on March 11. All buildings were destroyed and heavy damage was inflicted on runways. At the harbor of Lae a direct hit was made on a pier. Our bombers were attacked by a formation of Japanese fighter planes. Five enemy planes were shot down. None of our bombers was damaged.

"3. There is nothing to report from other areas."

Baptist Classes To Meet Together

Members of the men's classes of the two local Baptist churches will meet jointly Sunday morning in a cooperative move which will provide for exchange classes between the two classes. C. J. Ellen of Memorial and Baracs of Immanuel Baptist churches.

The classes will meet at the Memorial church Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock and the host church's teacher, Dr. B. McK. Johnson, will teach the class.

At a later date the two classes will meet at the Immanuel church. Members of both classes are urged to attend and take a friend.

'Doomed' Cancer Victim Advised



Told by doctors that he has only a few months to live because of cancer, W. L. Winsell of Memphis, Tenn., appealed to the Memphis Press-Scimitar for suggestions from its readers on how to spend the remaining days of his life. Here he is holding some of the 500 letters that came from 35 states. With him are his wife and children, Marion, 10, (standing), and Barbara Ann, 5.

Seven Convicted Spies Get Total Of 117 Years

Sentenced In First Spy Trial Since Start of War

New York, March 13.—(AP)—Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard today sentenced seven persons—defendants in the nation's first spy trial since the United States entered the war—to a total of 117 years in prison for espionage conspiracy.

Three were given 20 years' imprisonment each; three others, including a woman, 15 years each, and one 12 years.

Judge Goddard, in passing sentence, told the defendants he was "not only punishing you for your treachery," but "warning others like you that such acts will not be tolerated."

The illegal activities occurred before the United States entered the war—otherwise the defendants would have been subject to the death penalty.

Those sentenced to 20 years—the maximum possible penalty—were:

Kurt Frederick Ludwig, 36, native of Fremont, Ohio, called by the government the "brains of the ring."

Rene C. Froelich, 30, former draft-dodger stationed at Governor's Island here, headquarters of the First Army, accused of observing the names of departing ships and transmitting them to German submarines.

Paul T. Birchard, 56, former German army major.

Those given 15 years:

Mrs. Helen Pauline Mayer, 26, American-born housewife, accused of mailing letters in secret writing to German agents transmitting American military information.

Karl Victor Mueller, 36, German-born naturalized American, a former machinist in a defense plant.

Hans Helmut Engel, 20, mechanic who pleaded guilty to the indictment while the trial was in progress.

The defendant drawing a 12-year sentence was Frederick Edward Scholser, 19, former leader of a Brooklyn German-American youth movement later consolidated with the German-American Bund.

Normandie Fire. New York, March 13.—(AP)—A fire apparently originating in rubbish aboard the flame-ravaged \$60,000,000 Normandie was quickly extinguished today.

Workers engaged in salvaging the \$242-ton craft sent an alarm that brought 100 armed coastguardsmen, a fireboat and an engine. They brought the blaze under control in 15 minutes.

KEIL IS RAIDED FOR 65TH TIME

Nazi Battleship Gneisenau Bombed By British

London, March 13.—(AP)—The R. A. F. bombed the 26,000-ton German battleship Gneisenau and set naval installations on fire at the Kiel base in continuation last night of the "great spring air offensive" begun last week-end.

The Air Ministry said today that improved flying conditions, after bad weather Wednesday, enabled a medium force of four and two-engine bombers to strike at northwestern Germany and mine German waters.

The loss of eight R. A. F. planes during the latest raid on Kiel was attributed by Air Ministry sources to strong German anti-aircraft defenses ringing the Kiel base.

German night fighter planes also engaged British planes during the attack.

The raid on Kiel was the 65th, and the fourth since the Nazi battleship Gneisenau was berthed at the naval base for repairs after running Dover straits.

Berlin (From German Broadcasts), March 13.—(AP)—British bombers attacked Kiel, site of a big German naval base, during the night, causing some casualties, the Nazi high command declared today.

Three of the planes were reported shot down.

The announcement said residential quarters were damaged slightly. The German radio also reported the R. A. F. was over a city in northwestern France during the night, carrying out a raid in which it was stated there were some civilian casualties and small damage.

Jap Tenders Plea To Federal Court

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—Tsutomu Obana, secretary of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce at Commerce at San Francisco, pleaded guilty in Federal District court today to violating the foreign agents registration act by omitting material facts in his registration.

The plea made Obana liable to a maximum penalty of two years imprisonment on each of four counts of an indictment returned January 23. He pleaded innocent to a fifth count charging conspiracy.

Spread Out To Include New Sector

Stab At Solomon Islands, However, May Be Feint To Distract Allies' Attention From New Guinea; British And Chinese Forces United In Burma In Second Chief Theater Of War

By CLYDE A. FARNSWORTH Associated Press War Editor

Japan's offensive against Australia, still taking form in the welter of islands curving along the vast northern shore of the continent, has spread off in a tangent of naval penetration of the Solomon Islands.

In the second chief theater of the war with Japan, the British imperials withdrawing north of Rangoon, have for the first time joined Chinese troops, attempting to consolidate a front between two main routes out of Rangoon, 60 to 80 miles from the abandoned port city of the Irrawaddy delta.

Japan's Solomon Islands move was evidently either a feint to distract attention from the prospect of a new Japanese offensive against Australia or actually a thrust toward the New Hebrides and New Zealand along the island chain pointed at the United Nations sea route to Australia, ahead of any direct attempt to invade the continent.

The move was disclosed by Australian air reconnaissance over the Australian-mandated part of the Solomon group. The warship force was sighted three days ago off Kessa, on tiny Buka island, a stepping stone from New Britain to the Solomons. There was no further indication that the Japanese had landed there.

Buka is 180 miles southeast of Japanese-occupied Rabaul, New Britain, and 900 miles northeast of Australia, northeastern extremity, the Cape York peninsula.

Australian bombers smashing at the potential island route toward New Zealand attacked the enemy-held airfield at Gasmata, on the south coast of New Britain, yesterday.

"All our bombs fell in the target area and columns of smoke rose from the ground," a communique said. Counter-attacking Japanese fighting planes were beaten off.

The Japanese offensive was crippled to some extent in the sinking of seven ships by air attack last Tuesday off Salamaua, a Japanese foothold in New Guinea. Closer at home for the enemy, a single United States submarine has picked off four vessels, boosting to 149 the total of Japanese ships destroyed or damaged by U. S. forces.

A newspaper dispatch broadcast from Tokyo declared the Japanese had won "the last strategic point off the northern part of Australia" through their occupation of Salamaua, New Guinea port.

Japan's imperial headquarters said a Japanese destroyer sank a British minesweeper "in the course of cleaning up operations in the neighborhood of Java" and that Japanese fliers had levied a heavy toll in raids yesterday upon Port Moresby, capital and chief port of New Guinea.

Sixteen allied planes were said to have been destroyed and important (Continued on Page Six)

Politics Out

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt told a press conference today that this is a war and politics is out.

He said his remarks applied to Congress as well as the press. We read too much politics in the papers these days. And these articles talk in terms of the past, he commented.

Mr. Roosevelt made that remark when asked whether he thought there could be a greater concentration on the war effort by political groups, newspapers and others.

To a question as to whether his remarks were "also true of the cabinet," the chief executive responded that he found little political implications in any action taken by cabinet members. He said that whenever he sees any such implication, and this is in pretty rare cases, he steps on it with both feet.

The WAR TODAY

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
Wide-World News Analyst

The Mikado's invasion fleet which is massing in New Guinea waters for an attack on Australia has suffered a nasty knock from allied bombers—at least 13 ships having been destroyed—emphasizing that the Japs are in a fair way to lose their shirts—if they try to carry out the threat made yesterday by Premier Tojo to conquer all Australia unless it falls in line with the "greater East Asia sphere."

United States warplanes are playing a large part in this counter-offensive, and we are rushing further aid to Australia. Indeed, the defense of this great continent will depend heavily on Uncle Sam, for

while Australia has the courage and magnificent fighting men, she lacks the equipment and especially the air service upon which the conflict must turn.

In view of our effort here, and our other world wide commitments in India, from which Tojo says the last vestige of British power is to be struck in Eritrea where we are establishing a great base for cooperation with the British, and in the British Isles themselves—this seems a good spot to answer an inquiry from some of my readers.

They have written to demand, (Continued on Page Four)

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lee are spending a few days in Richmond.

Mrs. C. W. Hearne left yesterday for Salisbury and Fayetteville. She will return tomorrow.

Tom Wilson is at home from the hospital for the week-end.

Miss Elizabeth Moore of New Bern, was here yesterday.

Friends of F. C. Martin will regret to learn that he is in Pitt General Hospital.

Mrs. James H. Kitchens who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Overton, left this morning to join her husband, who is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

Miss Mary Friar Rouse of Farmville, was a Greenville visitor yesterday.

Mrs. E. O. Burroughs of Bethel, spent Thursday in Greenville.

Mr. W. C. Acker of Farmville, is patient in Pitt General Hospital.

Mrs. Wiley Brown has returned from Raleigh, where she attended the annual conference of the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church.

Mrs. J. A. Stagon and Miss Camille Stagon of Bethel, spent yesterday in Greenville.

Mrs. Laura Haddock of Ayden, and Mrs. Jesse Hardy of Maury, were Greenville shoppers yesterday.

Mrs. J. A. Mayo and Mrs. Frank Miller of Washington, were here on Thursday.

Returns To Raeford.

Mrs. George Smith, formerly of Winterville, has returned to her home in Raeford after spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith of Winterville, and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Haddock of Greenville. Mrs. Smith is making her home in Raeford while her husband is being treated in the hospital at Sanatorium.

Social Calendar

FRIDAY

6:30 p. m.—The Kiwanis Club meets.

7:30 p. m.—The Red Men will meet.

8:00 p. m.—The Elks Club meets.

8:00 p. m.—The T. E. L. Class of Immanuel Baptist Church meets with Mrs. Maude Sumrell.

SUNDAY

4:00 p. m.—Victory Community Sing at the Greenville High School.

To Receive Training.

Charles W. Brown, WPA recreation leader, who was deferred from the aircraft sheet metal school in Goldsboro, has been recalled and will leave on Monday to begin his training.

Victory Community Sing.

A Victory Community Sing, sponsored by the Defense Council of the Woman's Club, will be held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the auditorium of the high school.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy an hour of good music. There will be no admission charge.

The North Carolina Symphonic Chorus will appear at this sing.

D. A. R. To Meet.

Mrs. S. T. White will be hostess to the Major Benjamin May chapter D. A. R., tomorrow afternoon at her home on Seventh street.

Dr. Ryan Here.

Dr. Carson Ryan, head of the School of Education of the University of North Carolina, was scheduled to deliver an address at Shepard Memorial Library this afternoon before a meeting of the Pitt County Council, Parent-Teacher Association. Mrs. Paul Davenport is president of the council.

BUY GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

Statement Issued By Girl Scout President

Instructor Now



Lieutenant Matt Phillips, son of Mrs. E. E. Rawl of this city, received his "wings" in the U. S. Army Air Corps at Ellington Field, Texas, last Saturday and now has been transferred to the army air base at Lubbock, Texas, to serve as an instructor.

Commemorates Anniversary Of Scout Movement

Mrs. Alan H. Means of Salt Lake City, Utah, Girl Scout national president, has issued the following statement to Girl Scout councils on the 30th anniversary of the Girl Scout movement which was observed yesterday.

"Let us dedicate ourselves to averting war's greatest danger—the danger of neglect of the very thing the nation is fighting—our children and their future. Thousands of girls are eager to become Scouts, and would be Scouts if there were enough trained leaders, councils, and sponsoring committees to go around. Thousands of women are seeking worthwhile ways to serve their country. We must tell them about Scouting and show them how and why it provides opportunity to do so an important, patriotic job. Girl Scouting needs more volunteer workers so that it can serve all the girls in every part of the country. No girl is compelled to join the Scouting movement—nor ever will be—but every girl should be able to join if she wants to. It's up to the women to keep the organization going and to help it grow so that it fulfills its purpose of bringing training, comradeship and opportunity to serve to all girls."

Tracing the growth of the movement from the original troop of 24 which Juliette Gordon Low organized on March 12, 1912, to its present membership of more than half a million, Mrs. Means said, "This figure represents only four per cent of the girls of Scout age in the United States. We have only begun. Thirty years of growth and development only point the way to the day when Scouting will be available to every girl between seven and eighteen."

Mrs. Means stated that the movement had received great impetus in the first World War. "The Girl Scouts of 1917 won recognition as useful, serious young citizens enrolled in an organization which was training them to meet the responsibilities of both present and future. Today, as well as 25 years ago, the Girl Scouts are active in defense work. They are again proving that Girl Scouting prepares them for useful service. Those of us who believe in Scouting must not relax our efforts. In the midst of today's war we must find the way for tomorrow's peace by helping girls face the immediate emergencies as well as the responsibilities of the future."

Forty Years Ago Today

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As roads are getting better now people will jog along and lose sight of the need of good roads. Yet there is much complaint when they get bad again.

The hunting season closes tomorrow.

The tobacco sales season is practically ended.

The constitutional amendment goes into effect this year. Among its provisions is one requiring the payment of the poll tax by the first day of May. Failure to do this means a forfeiture of the right to vote for that year. This law is on the theory that he who will not help bear the burdens of government should have no hand in the administration of its affairs.

GREENVILLE HI-NEWS

By CORA REDDITT EVELYN SCHELLER

Pan-American Day
Yesterday afternoon a meeting was held to discuss plans for the Pan-American Day celebration. Plans now include an assembly program on the history of the Pan-American Union on Tuesday, April 14, Pan-American Day, and six radio programs in the near future.

The Art class is making flags for the 21 republics included in the Union to be used in the assembly.

Dime Dance
Tonight, Friday, the 13th, the so-called "bad luck day" will break the jinx for you if you are lucky. Every 13th person entering the Dime Dance need not pay the admission charge. So come to the dance and make a lot of lucky 13's.

As you probably know, the proceeds from this dance will help swell the "bus fund."

Annual Pictures
All the seniors were reminded again today to have their pictures taken at Baker's studio. Pictures for the annual will not be accepted after next Tuesday. So seniors, look pretty, go to Baker's and watch the birds. Turn your pictures in to Bill Carr.

Art News
Miss Henry's Art classes are now working on 12 posters showing charts of all types of bombs. This project was suggested by Mr. J. H. Rose. The posters will be used to explain to the class of auxiliary firemen, starting Monday, what are contained in bombs, and how to combat them.

BELL ARTHUR NEWS

Beryl Newby, Sidney O'Neal and R. E. Squires visited relatives in Beaufort Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Bowden of Bath, is visiting relatives here this week.

Hugh Sutton went to Smithfield Sunday to see the ruins of the explosion caused by the wreck of the ammunition truck.

Mrs. Beryl Newby and children, Archie, LeAnne and Mrs. Nan Barber, visited in Winterville Sunday.

Stuart McArthur left Tuesday for enlistment in the U. S. Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Allen visited Mrs. Titus Vandiford, who is confined to her bed, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Gilbert Davis and Miss Bertha Newman were Greenville visitors Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash Joyner of Greenville, spent Sunday with Mr. I. A. Nichols.

Mrs. C. M. Bowden and Mrs. Beryl Newby were Greenville shoppers Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. A. D. McArthur and daughters had supper Wednesday night.

King Cotton Again Found Profitable

Raleigh, March 13.—(AP)—War and its accompanying demands have made erstwhile King Cotton once more a profitable venture, and plans are under way to encourage the growth and marketing of quality cotton once again in North Carolina.

A steering committee of farmers, fertilizer men, cottonseed crushers, research and extension workers, cooperative associations, farm organizations and county agents met yesterday at N. C. State College to plan the drive.

The committee said the first step would be to urge every grower to plant to the last foot of his acreage allotment in cotton.

The committee's program will include attention to scientific cultural methods, improved fertilizer, experimentation with long staple cotton, better preparation of cotton for the gin, better ginning, one variety cotton community plantings, and a major offensive against the boll weevil.

David Silverthorn Believed Casualty

David Silverthorn, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Stoneham, with whom he made his home before enlisting in the U. S. Navy, may be Greenville's first casualty of World War II.

Silverthorn was believed to have been aboard the battleship Arizona which was sunk in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, and no word has been heard from him since.

Prior to that time he communicated with several Greenville citizens, including former teachers in the local schools, and friends and relatives here fear he was a victim of the Pearl Harbor attack.

with Mrs. W. H. Hyde in Greenville. Mrs. Jonas Dilda and son, Revel, of Fountain, had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert McArthur.

Both circles of the Christian Missionary Society will meet at the Church Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. Mamie Ruth Hollaway is program leader and hostesses are Mrs. Heber Nichols, Mrs. J. W. Crawford and Mrs. Mack Smith. Members of the executive committee are asked to arrive a few minutes early.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Pruitt spent a recent week-end in Newport News, Va.

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OPPOSE BOOST BY RAILROADS

OPA Asks That Approved Increases Be Withheld

New York, March 13.—(AP)—The Office of Price Administration asked the nation's railroads today to suspend approved freight rate increases on ten large groups of commodities, including petroleum, lumber and pig iron, and give notice that it contemplated seeking cancellation of the entire rate increase.

Assistant Price Administrator Dexter M. Keezer, who said he was "authorized to speak for" the OPA, made the request in a speech prepared for a meeting of the railroad committee of twenty-one here. He said the increase would "completely disrupt" the scrap iron price ceiling and several other price control efforts of OPA.

The increase, authorized by the Interstate Commerce Commission but not yet in effect, provides a 6 per cent boost on most industrial freight and 3 per cent on farm products. It was intended to compensate for cost increases resulting from wage increases.

Keezer told the railroad men that the net revenues and operating income of class I railroads in January showed such marked increase over last year that OPA would naturally be greatly interested in the earnings records for the rest of the first quarter.

Funeral Held For Jno. E. Parkerson

John E. Parkerson, Sr., 69, died at his home, 1511 Dickinson avenue, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He had been sick for the past five years.

Mr. Parkerson was born near Grifton and had spent his entire life in Pitt county. He moved near Greenville in 1900. He was a prosperous farmer.

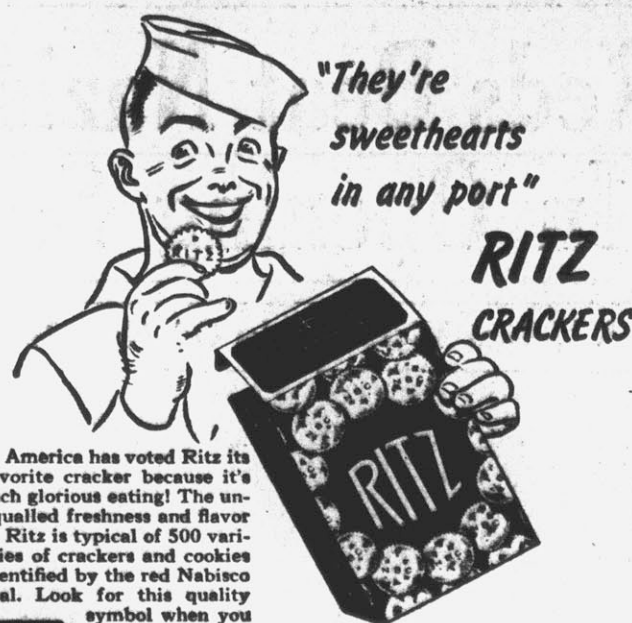
Funeral services were conducted from the Ellwanger Funeral Home this afternoon at 4 o'clock by Elder J. B. Roberts of Farmville. Burial followed in Greenwood cemetery.

Survivors are his wife, who before marriage was Miss Mattie E. Corbett of Pitt county; three sons, J. E., Jr., J. L. and S. L. Parkerson, all of Greenville; two daughters.

Mrs. L. A. Cobb of Bethel, and Mrs. Johnnie Miller of Fountain. Active pallbearers were Carlton Cozart, W. S. Stafford, Louis Williams, E. L. Clark, Ray Moore, Lloyd Tucker, J. E. Carr and E. L. Hester.

Holly Ridge Homes. Wilmington, March 13 (AP)—The building of 200 homes at Holly Ridge, adjoining Camp Davis, for civilian personnel, has been requested of the War Department by Maj. Gen. Frederic H. Smith, commanding officer at Camp Davis.

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Federal Sales Tax And Boost In Other Levies Proposed

TO SEEK EXTRA SEVEN BILLION

Solons Going After More Money To Finance War

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—A federal sales tax, larger income and corporation taxes, and drastic war profits levy were advanced today by lawmakers seeking an extra \$7,000,000,000 a year toward financing the war.

The House Ways and Means Committee, after receiving Treasury suggestions for stiff increases in income taxes, listened yesterday to a proposal by the National Association of Manufacturers for a \$4,400,000,000 sales tax. Some committee members predicted that a compromise between the two plans might be adopted.

"For instance," said Rep. Carlson (R-Kas.), "we might find that we could raise \$1,500,000,000 from a sales tax and perhaps \$2,000,000,000 each from the corporation and income schedules.

"That would tap some of the income of the little fellows who would not pay any income tax and yet would not produce as much from individuals and corporations as the Treasury recommended."

Secretary Morgenthau opened the current tax hearing with a proposal that \$3,000,000,000 more be obtained from corporations, an almost equal amount from individuals and \$1,340,000,000 from new and increased excise taxes.

J. Cheever Cowdin, spokesman for the manufacturers' association, countered yesterday with the sales tax, and individual and corporation increases of \$1,800,000,000 and \$1,400,000,000, respectively.

He recommended a 90 per cent excess profits rate for corporations, compared with a maximum of 88.75 under the Treasury plan, and liberalization of the methods of computing that levy. For individuals, he recommended increasing surtaxes to 8 per cent in the lowest bracket, compared with 6 per cent in the present law and the Treasury's 12 per cent proposal.

Senators Connally (D-Tex.) Byrd (D-Va.), Brown (D-Mich.) and La Follette (Prog-Wis.) said in separate interviews that an administration proposal for a 15 per cent increase in excess profits tax rates was likely to fall far short of meeting public demands for the elimination of war profiteering.

Connally declared with some firms with government contracts were "cleaning up."

Government Loses On Illicit Liquor

Statistics recently compiled by the Alcohol Tax Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Treasury Department, for the Fifth district—comprising the states of Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, West Virginia and the District of Columbia—indicate that during the calendar year 1941, the Federal Government lost \$11,359,040 in Internal Revenue taxes, through the conversion of sugar into non-tax paid whiskey.

Allocation of violations for 1941 to the various states in the Fifth district, shows that North Carolina was responsible for \$5,424,880 of the above loss in taxes through the conversion of 14,062,281 pounds of sugar; 1,430 distilleries, with a fermenting capacity of 1,812,320 gallons were destroyed, together with 980,384 gallons of live mash. Had the 14,062,281 pounds of sugar converted into non-tax-paid liquor been distributed equally among residents of this state, each person would have been entitled to one pound each week for a period of four weeks.

The above facts represent a rather alarming condition, when it is realized the amount of sugar available for human consumption is not sufficient to supply the needs, and the loss in Revenue must be made up in additional taxes.

Every law-abiding citizen should consider this condition from a standpoint of its effect on his well-being, and assist the Government in stopping this waste.

Nazis Claim That Cruiser Was Sunk

Berlin.—(From German Broadcasts), March 13.—(AP)—The German high command said today a British cruiser reported hit twice yesterday by torpedoes from a German submarine in the eastern Mediterranean had sunk.

The cruiser was identified as of the 7,200-ton Leander class of ship some 10 years old.

The cruiser was one of five mentioned by the high command yesterday as damaged in a sustained action by German and Italian air and undersea forces.

Italian torpedo planes were said to have scored hits on three cruisers, German bomber hits on another, and the fifth was reported at that time to have been heavily damaged by the U-boat's torpedoes.

Boost Pullman Rates

Washington, March 13.—(AP)—The Interstate Commerce Commission authorized the Pullman company today to increase its rates, fares and charges by 10 per cent.

The company was authorized to put the increase into effect within 10 days after filing the necessary

SHOW BOAT GIRL

By ROBERTA COURTLAND

YESTERDAY: Melissa Marlowe is very young, and very lovely. She has lived all her life in a cabin on the banks of the Mississippi; now she tends one of the navigation lights, and her only companion is her grandmother. But in a bad storm she finds an exhausted young man named Rand Hendricks, and now the grandmother is worried by the thought that unsophisticated Melissa may lose her head over Rand.

Chapter Four

Randy said quietly, "You're right, of course, Mrs. Marlowe. Some staid old river man will come along some day and marry her—"

"There's a mess of 'em would be glad to now," said Gran complacently. "What with her being my heir to the cabin and the land and the livestock and with her job with the government, she can kind of pick and choose."

"And being such a raving little beauty, too," said Randy in all sincerity.

The night after supper Gran asked Melissa to play and sing for Randy. Curious to know what measure of talent she might possess, Randy added his coaxing to the old lady's, and Melissa, blushing and excited, took down the guitar and strummed it a moment to tune it and tilted back her head, on which the lamplight turned the ruddy-brown curls to a molten copper.

"I don't know anything except the old songs—the ones my mother used to sing," said Melissa apologetically, and lifted her smooth, faintly husky young voice in "The Lonesome Road."

The haunting, tragic little old song took on a new meaning for Randy as she sang it. Her voice was warm, sweet, faintly husky, with a little note in it that tugged at the heartstrings. But it wasn't an exceptional voice. It would definitely never set the river afire, he told himself, and wondered that he should be sorry about that.

Her dancing was on a par with her voice—graceful as all young things are graceful; but the steps dated, outmoded, unexciting, and it hurt him a little that she looked at him with such eager expectancy in her brown eyes, such a pleading, inarticulate hope.

He was torn between two desires. One to tell her what she so passionately wanted him to say; that she was a beautiful dancer, that her voice was sensational, that she would have no difficulty in getting a job.

The other, the desire to do what he knew Mrs. Marlowe wanted him to do—tell her the simple truth: that her small grace and talent was by no means exceptional and that she would not stand a chance.

"Was it as bad as all that?" she asked at last, and he saw the round young chin quiver, the tears that stood in the soft brown eyes.

"It wasn't bad at all, Melissa—it was swell," he told her swiftly, eagerly, and then saw the look in Gran's eyes and caught himself up.

"It wasn't bad, Melissa, but there are hundreds of girls all over the country looking for jobs who are young and pretty and who sing—well, almost as well as you do. So it would be much better for you to stay here with your grandmother."

Miss Melissa lifted her round young chin and said coolly, "I meant to, of course. It's just that—well, I was curious to know if anybody else thought I had any talent. Mother used to think I was fairly good."

She got up and went swiftly out of the room.

The Wrong Answer
Gran said ungraciously, "Well, you didn't have to break her heart, did you, just to tell her how terrible she was? Personally, I thought she was real good!"

And Gran followed Melissa and banged the door behind her.

Randy swore, ran his fingers through his hair and then grinned. He should have known better, he

told himself grimly, than to have expected Gran to be grateful for his honesty. Gran hadn't wanted Melissa to believe she was good enough to get a job in show-business; but she furiously resented the thought that he had not admired Melissa extravagantly.

In the morning when he said goodbye they were both a bit subdued. A passing fisherman had agreed to drop him at the nearest landing, where a riverboat on its trip north to New Orleans would pick him up later that afternoon. Goodbyes, under the circumstances, had to be hurried.

"I don't know how to thank you both for what you've done for me," he said sincerely, knowing instinctively that he dare not offer them money for their hospitality. "It's been a lot of fun and great knowing you both—I hope we'll all meet again."

For a moment an eager flare of hope blazed in the girl's eyes and she drew a deep, unsteady breath. Gran, seeing it, said crossly, "Ain't much likelihood of that—unless you get lost again, I'd say."

At the top of the steep, rickety stairs that led down the face of the cliff to the river where the cackle-shell of a boat lay waiting, Randy paused a moment, looked down at Melissa and said impulsively, "I've got the damndest hunch that you and I are going to meet again, Melissa—somewhere, somehow, some day."

Miss Melissa was radiant, her eyes blazing. "Do you honestly? Maybe—maybe some day I'll be in New Orleans—and we'll bump into each other—"

"If ever you come to New Orleans, Melissa, promise you'll look me up," said Randy rashly, and scribbled an address on a card which he put in her fingers. "That's my address, and I'll always be glad to see you."

She stood for a long tense moment there at the top of the cliff, watching until he had stepped into the boat and the boatman had shoved away from the bank toward the middle of the stream. The card on which he had written a New Orleans address was held tightly in her two hands that were clasped hard together.

New Life To Come
For a few weeks Melissa thought of Rand constantly. She could never quite give up the thought that she would hear from him; that he would write to her or send her a message. But as the weeks passed and he did none of these things the image of him faded a little.

Gran watched her closely, worried and uneasy because the gaiety and laughter was gone from her. Now and then Gran offered a word of comfort, offered it tentatively, uneasily.

"You'll forget all about him honey, soon's some other fellow comes along," she said one lazy summer afternoon when they sat on the porch above the twisting yellow stream that looked so peaceful and friendly, like a great yellow beast asleep in the sun.

"Some other fellow? Maybe Ben Holcomb, the frog-sticker? Or French Pete? Or Joe the Hermit?" suggested Melissa grimly.

Gran made a little impatient gesture with a gnarled old hand. "You know I didn't mean none of them," she snapped. "After all, there's some fine boys on the lightship—"

"All of them married except Billy, who's engaged," Melissa pointed out dryly.

"Well, Randy Hendricks ain't the only man that hunts in these parts. There's liable to be another one soon as fall hunting season opens—maybe a fisherman from town—"

Gran paused worriedly.

Miss Melissa said with a lightness that she and Gran both knew was strictly on the surface. "Thanks, Gran—but never mind. I'll stay on here at the Point; and maybe the government'll put up another light or two for me to tend and I'll be rich."

and powerful and the Queen of the River, with suitors coming from far whistled very low her voice shaken. "Goodbye, Gran darling. If I'd only remembered to tell you enough—how much I loved you!"

Missella's return to the cabin after the funeral was the hardest task she had ever had to perform. Just to come back alone, to go out to the light and to return to the dark cabin, missing Gran with every breath she drew, completely broke the composure that had held her so that she cried herself to sleep.

In the morning she was just finishing her lonely, tasteless breakfast when she had a caller. Jim Roberts said heavily, "I been wanting to talk to you, Lissy, but I didn't know how your Gran would feel about leaving the place here. Now I reckon you won't mind me making you an offer for the place."

Missella's heart leaped and thudded hard in her breast and she said shakily, "You want to buy the place?"

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All brown, black, and mixed soybeans will be supported at \$1.40 per bushel unless the oil content for the county for brown, black, and mixed soybeans is determined from representative samples to be 17 1-2 percent or more. In the event that a county is determined to produce brown, black, and mixed soybeans with an oil content of 17 1-2 percent or more, the price would be supported at \$1.50 per bushel.

In order for a producer to be eligible to share in the Loan Purchase Program, he must not over-

plant his allotments or permitted acreages in any crop with the one exception made in regard to peanuts. A producer may plant acres of peanuts in addition to his allotment for oil and for hogs and still participate in the Loan Purchase Program. He must also earn at least 60 per cent of his 1942 soil-building allowance.

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CHOICE IS ALWAYS DIFFICULT
Kierkegaard, the great Danish
philosopher, used to sit for hours
at a place near his home where five
roads met and crossed. His mind
was in a state of intellectual and
moral ferment, and these crossroads
were symbolic to him of the seri-
ousness of human choice. Which
road should he take?

Which road should you and I
take? Very often as we confront
the problem of choice in home,
in business, in school, in church,
in things having to do with everyday
living and particularly in things
having to do with our eternal des-
tiny, we ask ourselves this ques-
tion: "Which road will I take?"
The answer is in the Bible. We are
told that Jesus Christ is the way,
the truth, and the life. When we
accept Him we find a broad high-
way stretching out before our feet,
inviting us to walk in light and
gladness.

What is truth? This question has
haunted men through the ages.
Who is this man Christ whom we
are invited to follow as the way,
the truth, and the life? Strangely
enough in the Book of Revelation
He is referred to as the alpha and
the omega, the beginning and the end,
the first and the last. The letters
of an alphabet permit of infinite
combinations by which we can get
a message. The nature of Jesus
Christ is the alphabet which makes
it possible for us to secure the mes-
sage of God.

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ALL DOWN THE LINE

In view of the increased
national tax burdens and the
still greater increases con-
templated, Gov. Broughton
has emphasized that every
effort should and would be
made to see that state taxes
in North Carolina not only
are not increased next year
but decreased wherever pos-
sible without detriment to
successful public operations.
The governor's attitude to-
ward state taxes is one that
should be followed by every
town and county in the state
as well. The taxpayers are
expecting to pay to the limit
to help America win the war
and during such time the
less local and state taxes
they have to pay, the better
position our people will be
in to meet the higher federal
taxes.

UNNECESSARY LOSS

It has been suggested that
foresight on the part of
Civilian Defense authorities
in Johnston county might
have saved several of the
lives lost early last Saturday
morning when an ammuni-
tion filled truck blew up on
the highway between Smith-
field and Selma. It was about
two hours between the time
of the car-truck accident
that set fire to the truck and
the time of the explosion.
During this time hundreds of
curious persons were per-
mitted to gather to watch the
flames and some of these
gathered in nearby build-
ings waiting for the expect-
ed explosion were the vic-
tims of the blast. A complete
evacuation of the area dur-
ing the two hours between

Why Doncha Use Your Gun, Adolf?



the collision and the explo-
sion would have saved the
lives of all the victims ex-
cept the driver of the car
who was fatally injured in
the crash. We call attention
to this matter, not just to be
criticizing someone, but as a
warning to officials and civil-
ian defense workers in
every part of our state to re-
main ever on the alert and
take every precaution neces-
sary to save lives and prop-
erty in their respective com-
munities.

Washington Daybook

Washington — The Capital in
War-time:

The day of the broomstick army
is well over. The supply of rifles,
I am told, has long since passed
the requirements for equipping
every man in our rapidly expanding
army. It was, therefore, with some
consternation that a good many
other Washingtonians and I ob-
served two smartly turned-out
young privates marching along in
front of the White House on Penn-
sylvania avenue the other afternoon
with brooms, at shoulder arms.

For a moment, it appeared that
the Army was picking its com-
mander in chief. But near East
Executive avenue, the two privates

halted, grounded their brooms with
perfect precision, and then broke
their two-man rank.
It was simply a detail, whose or-
der it was to sweep in and around
the sentry boxes that jut out from
the iron fence that surrounds the
White House.

Employees of the Department of
Interior, who, a few months ago,
were saying unkind things about
Employer Harold L. Ickes are now
practically unanimous in their vote
of thanks.

During the threatened gasoline
shortage in the eastern states, Ickes
conducted a departmental cam-
paign to force his employees to share
their cars in going to and from
work. In spite of complaints, the
idea caught on. By late September
it was estimated that each Interior
employee car was carrying an
average of 1.6 passengers.

Through the winter, car owners who drove
to work daily, mapped out pick-up
routes and made arrangements with
other drivers to exchange rides.
Now, with tire and auto pri-
orities beginning to pinch and gaso-
line shortage threatened again, the
Interior department workers are
miles ahead on their share-the-car
program and the average passen-
ger figure has almost doubled.

The cub reporter who learned his
news value in peace time would
have a bit of heavy going in Wash-
ington these days. A four-alarm
midtown fire that gutted a three-
story furniture building and result-
ed in seven firemen being overcome
and 25 others slightly injured turn-
ed up in one of the local papers on
page 13, and was given no more
prominent display in the opposition
sheet.

Latest scheme of the racketeers
who prey on the war effort is that
of men who go about representing

themselves as federal "tire inspec-
tors" and either lay the ground-
work for "government requisition"
of tires on private automobiles or
"case the tires" for future thievery.
Leon Henderson's OPA says that
the only government tire inspectors
at work now are those checking
dealers' stocks and there will be
ample information given in advance
before any others take the field.

SAMARITANS ARE SAFER

By L. M. THOMPSON, M.D.

Assistant Director First Aid,
Water Safety And Accident
Prevention Service of The
American National Red Cross

"IF YOU CAN KEEP YOUR HEAD"

Speed is responsible not only for
a large proportion of accidents; it
is frequently the cause of death
following injury.

Those who gather at the scene of
an accident are more than curious.
They have a strong desire to help.
But the one idea most frequently
uppermost in their minds is the
necessity of haste.

More often than not, the news-
paper accident story should read:
"BECAUSE the victim was rushed
to the hospital he was pronounced
dead on arrival."

Now there are plenty of emer-
gencies in which haste is vitally
important. But there are no emer-
gencies in which it pays to do the
wrong thing.

If the victim is suffering from a
spinal injury, if he has broken ribs
or internal injuries, the difference
between life and death may well
depend upon the manner in which
he is moved. If he is bleeding from
a severed artery, if he is the vic-
tim of poison, or if breathing is
suspended for any reason, prompt
transportation to the hospital will
hardly suffice to save him.

It is therefore plain to see that
effective emergency action is pri-
marily a matter of knowing what to
do and how to do it. And that is
where a knowledge of First Aid is
invaluable. That the knowledge
of what to do includes the knowl-
edge of what not to do is obvious
and important.

The Red Cross defines First Aid as
"the immediate, temporary care
given in case of accident or sudden
illness before the services of a phy-
sician can be secured." That is a
brief definition but it sometimes
covers a good deal.

On reaching the scene of an ac-
cident the First Aid trained indi-
vidual will quietly find out for him-

self just what has happened. He
will immediately offer his coopera-
tion, or if there is no physician
present, will assume the necessary
leadership. In this he will have no
difficulty if he is calm and sure in
manner and actions.

In caring for the victim there are
certain procedures which should be
followed. He must be kept lying
down, in a comfortable position,
with the head level. This will help
prevent fainting and the condition
called shock. Only if the face is
flushed, the head may be slightly
raised. If there is vomiting turn
the head slightly to one side.

The injured person must be kept
warm. This is essential in prevent-
ing shock. If the weather is cool,
it is just as important to wrap the
patient on the underside as to cover
him over.

If the injury is of the arm, leg,
or body, it is advisable to cut or rip
the clothing from the injured part.
To remove clothing in the usual way
is likely to cause unnecessary suf-
fering and may aggravate the in-
jury.

Stimulants are often helpful, par-
ticularly in cases where the injured
persons shows symptoms of
fainting or shock. It is well to re-
member that alcohol is not a stimu-
lant and should never be used
as such. The best stimulants are
strong, hot tea or coffee, or aroma-
tic spirits of ammonia, a teaspoon
to the glass of water. Most injured
persons may be given water to
drink, but should take it slowly, in
sips.

A proper mental attitude on the
part of the victim promotes coop-
eration and aids recovery. The
first-aid should cheer him, allay
his fears and keep him hopeful.
And the first-aid, if he can keep
his head, will not be needed into
moving the injured person, unless
absolutely necessary, until a clear
idea of the nature and extent of
injury is obtained and First Aid has
been rendered.

The WAR TODAY

(Continued from Page One)
with more vigor than logic, why it
is that Uncle Sam is fighting to de-
fend the British Empire when John
Bull himself is allowing it to slip
away from him bit by bit. Why
don't we look after our own inter-
ests and let the English look after
theirs? In short, "am I my brother's
keeper?"

Well, in the first place that
query has a faulty premise. We
aren't expending an ounce of war
effort which isn't needed to safe-
guard our country and our homes.
Looking at it from the standpoint
of pure self-interest, we are busy
saving our own skins. Uncle Sam
and John Bull are two men in a
boat on a stormy sea, and if one
goes under, so does the other.

Of course, apart from the fact
that we have to make war the way
we are doing, whether we wish it
or not, a good many of us like to
feel that we are indeed fighting for
John Bull and Little Holland and
Greece and all our other friends
who have been caught in this mess.
The good neighbor policy is a much
happier outlook on life, especially
since this world of ours has shrunk
to the size of an apple, where there
is no place in which we can isolate
ourselves.

The front lines for our home de-
fense lie overseas. Hitler's minions
made plain to us yesterday
when Berlin bragged that the Axis
has sunk 823,200 tons of shipping
in American and Central American
waters since we entered the war.
And the Japs have pointed the
thing up for us plainly by bom-
barding our California coast from
a submarine.

When we help our good friends
the Allies we are creating a base
which will help us defeat the Jap-
anese, and thereby not only protect
our west coast and island posses-
sions, but compel the Nipponese to
keep the door of the Orient open
to our trade.

When we send troops and equip-
ment to Europe and the Middle
East we certainly are helping Brit-
ain (and Russia and all the rest
of our allies). But it happens that
Europe is our first line of defense
against Hitler, to keep him from
striking at the western hemisphere.
Should he defeat Russia and Brit-
ain, he most certainly would move
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Problems

By The REV. FRANK PRICE
American Methodist Missionary
(Written for the Associated Press)

Kinhua, Chekiang province, Chi-
na, March 9 (Delayed).—All news
obtainable from evacuees and other
sources indicates that American
and British nationals in Shanghai
and other occupied cities of east
China are safe, but their financial
difficulties are increasing, their
food is limited and their freedom
restricted in varying degrees.

In Shanghai, Shaohing, Chefoo
and some other cities movement is
permitted within the city, but in
Wuhu, Nanking, and many inland
cities missionaries are confined to
their homes.

I estimate there are 1,500 Ameri-
can and British missionaries in all
the occupied areas of China and
there is little hope for their release
now. Many married couples have
been separated and there is small
prospect of their being united at
present.

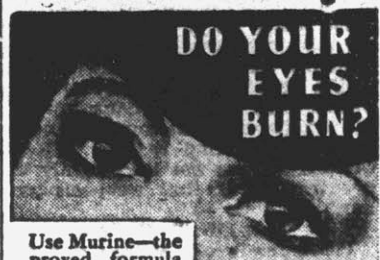
In some cities churches are closed.
In others they are open under
Japanese observation.

Many mission hospitals are open
under Japanese supervision, but
their medical supplies are insuffi-
cient.

Most relief work sponsored by
American funds has been stopped
or taken over by the Japanese, or
will be stopped soon because of fi-
nancial difficulties and confisca-
tion of supplies.

The food situation in Shanghai
is growing worse and approximately
300,000 workers are unemployed.
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starvation and long lines of people
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Total Of 846 Minor Baseball Players Lost To Draft

SEEN AS BOOM TO HOPEFULS

Bush Leagues to Have More Room For Youngsters

Durham, March 13—(AP)—Loss of 846 players in the minor leagues in the past 17 months should provide a goodly number of opportunities to break into the game, W. G. Bramham, president of the National Association of Professional Baseball Leagues, said today.

There will be more room for the younger player, Bramham reasoned, to take the place of those who have left the lower classification to serve the country.

For, he added, the lower class leagues have been hardest hit—the class B loops showing a net loss of 239 players; class C, 155; and class D, 256.

A total of 581 minor leaguers have joined the armed forces, Bramham reported, while the voluntarily retired list took 229 and 204 were placed on the ineligible list. This grand total of 1,014 was cut to the net figure of 846 by reason of 168 reinstatements.

Seven leagues will not operate this year and several other circuits have been reduced from eight to six clubs for the duration, thereby releasing some 600 players of whom, Bramham estimated, 300 will enter military service or retire.

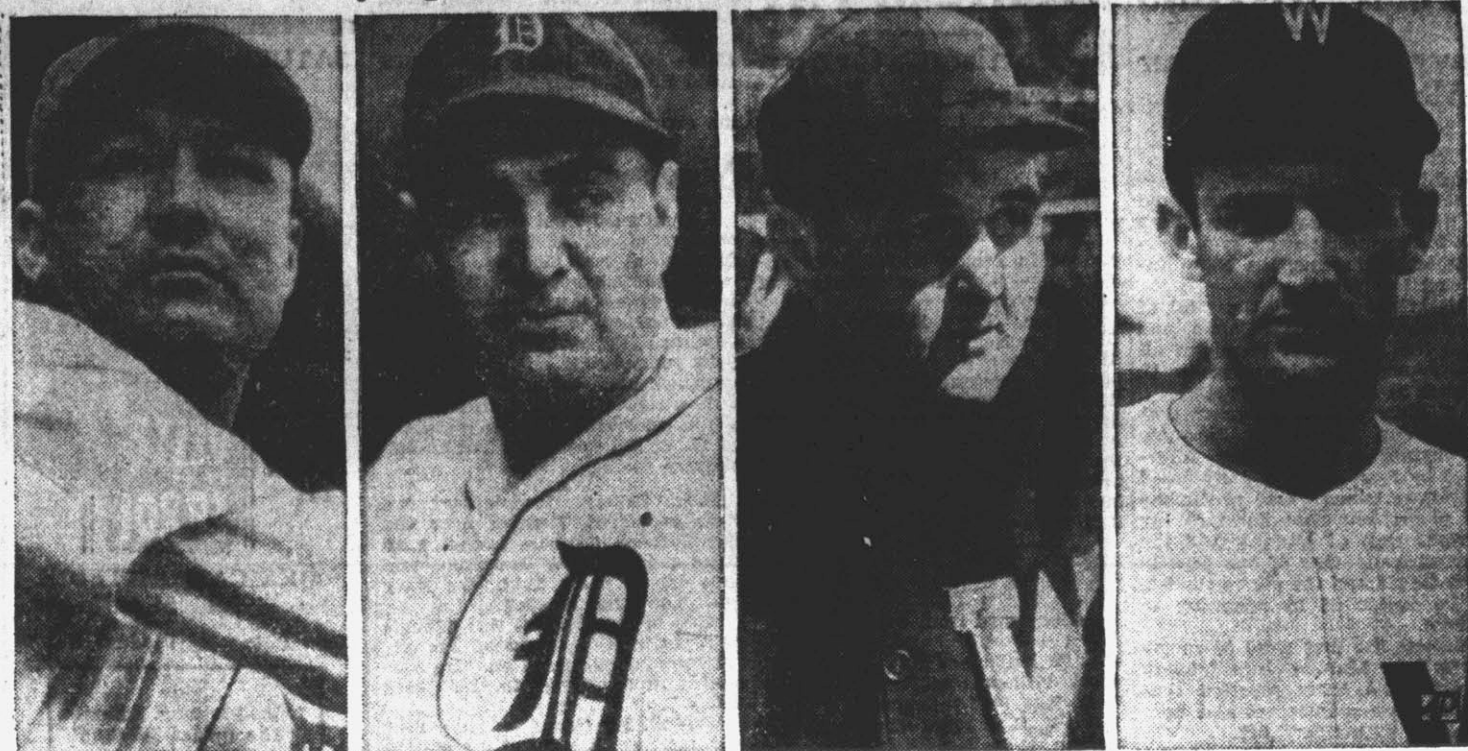
Training Camp Briefs

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

St. Petersburg, Fla.—The Cardinals' five lefthanded pitchers might form the strongest southpaw staff in the majors. Last year, the quintet won 71 and lost 31. Thirty-five victories were in the National League and 36 in the minors. The five are Ernie White, Howard Pollet, Max Lanier, Clyde Shoun and Harry Brecheen.

Daytona Beach, Fla.—Manager Leo Durocher of the Dodgers has a neat method of making his infielders run during workouts by hitting slow rollers, first to one side and then the other. But First Baseman Les Burge has his own system of combating Durocher's game. Fielding each ball, he stuffs it into his shirt instead of throwing it

They Figure In Year's Biggest Baseball Trade Talk



Figuring in talk of the biggest baseball trade of the year, reported brewing in the camp of the Washington Senators at Orlando, Fla., are these four players, (left to right): Rudy York of Cartersville, Ga.; Buck Newsom of Hartsville, S. C.; Emil (Dutch) Leonard of Auburn, Ill., and Jim Vernon of Marcus Hook, Pa. The Detroit Tigers were reported offering Newsom and York to Washington for Leonard and Vernon.

back.

Los Angeles—In answer to Cub Manager Jimmy Wilson's order for his team to "shoot the works" in the exhibition series with the White Sox, Manager Jimmy Dykes of the American leaguers declared: "We'll let 'em win a few in the spring. We'll win them when it counts."

Sarasota, Fla.—Mace Brown, regarded as the most advanced of the Red Sox pitching corps, will make his debut as a Bostonian today when he shares the chores against the Senators with Joe Dobson.

St. Petersburg, Fla.—Charley Keller, whose skin is naturally dark, turned up at the New York Yankee training camp looking like a paleface among the tanned athletes. Keller said he felt fine after a winter of idling, placed his weight at around 180, and added that the left ankle which bothered him last year had completely healed.

Sarasota, Fla.—Bucky Harris has picked Steve Sundra and Alex Carrasquel to pitch for Washington against the Red Sox today. Bobby Estalella is out with the mumps and Rookie Stan Galle gets a chance at third base.

San Bernardino, Calif.—Lee Handley, Pittsburgh third baseman,

arrived back in camp with the word that treatments he received in Los Angeles were relieving the soreness in his right shoulder, injured in an automobile accident last November. Frankie Frisch is counting on Handley to back up Bob Elliott, transplanted outfielder, at the hot corner.

Sanford, Fla.—When Casey Stengel of the Braves needed an outfielder to complete his rookie team Wednesday, Pitcher Frank Laman drew the assignment and lashed out a homer. Yesterday, when hurrying for the rookies, he got another four-bagger. "I've been looking for a guy like you for a long time," said Stengel, "and if you keep hitting homers, I'm going to keep you in the lineup."

Lakeland, Fla.—The Detroit Tigers open a 30-game Grapefruit league season today against the Cardinals and Manager Del Baker nominated Lefty Hal Newhouse and Paul (Dizzy) Trout for mound duty. The Tigers meet the Yankees and Red Sox for the first time in Florida competition this spring in a scheduled comprised solely of major league opponents.

Tampa, Fla.—Frank McCormick, who is supposed to lead the Cin-

JOE DIMAGGIO SAFE IN FOLD

Gets Second Biggest Contract In Club's History

By JUDSON BAILEY
St. Petersburg, March 13 (AP)—Joe Dimaggio, beaming brightly from sunburn and happiness, was safely in the fold of the New York

Yankees today with the second biggest contract ever given a member of the club.

The great centerfielder, who hit in 56 consecutive games last season and was voted the most valuable player in the American league, came to an agreement with President Edward G. Barrow last night on a salary estimated at \$42,000, an increase of \$5,000 over his 1941 stipend.

This was a higher salary than the Yankees ever gave any player other than Babe Ruth and ended the No. 1 holdout squabble of the 1942 baseball campaign.

Barrow arrived here from New York yesterday afternoon and telephoned Dimaggio at nearby Lido beach, where he has been vacationing with his wife and baby. A conference was arranged last night and after an hour-long huddle the pair smilingly announced that they had reached a satisfactory compromise with little difficulty.

Barrow admitted that he had gone above the \$40,000 offer which he had termed "final" last week, but added, "not very much above."

"I am happy, very happy, at the way it came out," said Joe. "I thought we might have a battle, but it was all friendly and I'm glad to get it over and get to work."

"I didn't want to drag these ne-

gotiations out, but earned a raise this year and I don't think anybody blames me for asking for it."

It was considered unlikely that Dimaggio, whose legs are as fragile as they are valuable, would take his place in the lineup before next week in order that he should be amply conditioned.

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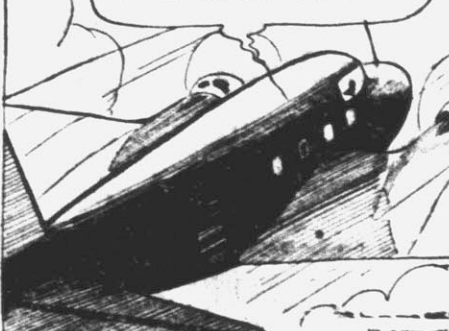
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London March 13.—(AP)—The United States, Britain and China are understood to be discussing recognition of a free Korean government which would have its temporary seat at Chungking, informed observers of Asiatic affairs reported today.

A Korean revolutionary committee has been functioning at Chungking for some time, directing rebel activities against the Japanese in Korea and guerrilla warfare in the adjoining provinces of Manchukuo. These sources said a force of 10,000 is harassing the Japanese successes in the Chientao region of southern Manchukuo, which recently has been a refuge for Korean rebels.

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