

WEATHER

Continued warm this afternoon, tonight and Friday forenoon. Scattered thunderstorms late this afternoon or early tonight.

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SEAPORT OF CATANIA IN ALLIED HANDS

Russian Army Battles Way Through Streets Of Orel

Reds Take First Big City In Summer Offensive; Germans Offer Bitter Resistance Northwest and Southwest of City to Cover Retreat Of Fleeing Troops

By HENRY C. CASSEIDY
Moscow, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The Red army battled its way through the streets of Orel today, completing the occupation of the first great city to be wrested from the Germans in the summer campaign.

The Germans offered stubborn resistance, throwing tanks into bitter street fighting, but the action appeared to be only a rearguard defense rather than a serious effort to challenge the Russians for possession of the key fortified city.

Red army infantry storming down from the hills east of Orel swept across the Oka river and were reported mopping up the enemy's rearguard block by block.

Frontline dispatches said the Germans still were offering bitter resistance northwest and southwest of Orel in an effort to cover the retreat of the main body of their troops through the bottleneck to the west.

The Soviet army newspaper Red Star declared the Nazis had stepped up their rearline fire in those areas, virtually doubling the number of guns for each mile of the front, and were counter-attacking with groups of 45 to 75 tanks.

Soviet bombers, however, were reported blasting at the enemy's support lines and main bases behind the Orel salient, concentrating on the communications center of Bryansk, Nikitovka, Yasnaya Polyana and Ilovaiskaya behind the Kharkov front and Maga on the Leningrad front also were subjected to heavy air attacks.

The Berlin radio announced last night that Nazi forces had evacuated Orel. Describing the retreat as an "evacuation according to plan," the announcement said German forces had taken up previously prepared positions behind the city after destroying every thing of value.

The Russian announcement that the city's inner defenses had cracked after 24 days of savage fighting, during which Soviet armored units, infantry and cavalry stormed them from three directions, listed vast stores of ammunition and guns as captured.

More than 2,500 Germans were killed and 18 enemy tanks were knocked out as the Germans fought bitterly and even counterattacked in desperate attempts to check the Red army masses pouring into the city's streets, a Soviet communiqué said.

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To Close Sweden To German Troops

Stockholm, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Transportation of German troops across Sweden to and from Norway will be halted August 20 and the movement of Nazi war materials will be discontinued August 15, a Swedish communiqué announced today.

The action had been expected here for weeks when Sweden carefully brought her military preparedness to its highest state of efficiency since the war began.

It was estimated that Sweden now has close to 400,000 men under arms.

The importance of the military traffic across Sweden was revealed recently by the Swedish press, which said 250,000 German soldiers had moved annually between Germany and Norway via Sweden.

Fourth Term Issue Will Be Aired By Committee

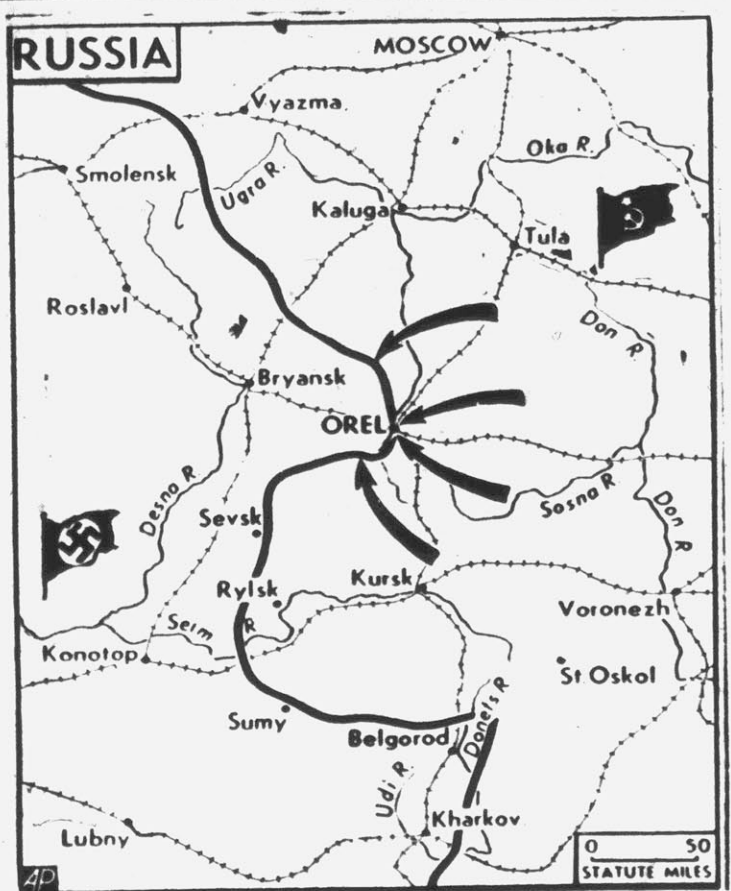
By JACK BELL
Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Both sides of the fourth term question may get a complete airing at public hearings before the Senate Judiciary committee next month on a proposal to limit future presidents to eight years in office.

Chairman Van Nuys (D-Ind.) said today he would urge a subcommittee headed by Senator McCarran (D-Nev.) to begin hearings on a proposed constitutional amendment of this nature soon after congressional recesses in mid-September.

"There should be some very interesting public hearings on this question, with both sides of the issue discussed," Van Nuys told an interviewer.

He said he had no doubt a fourth

Russian Forces Capture Orel



The Red Army has battered its way into the German stronghold of Orel following heavy fighting in which German losses were described as "terrible." The loss of Orel threatens the whole Nazi position on the central front in Russia.

U. S. Forces Push Closer To Jap-Held Munda Base

RAILWAY BODY HOLDS SESSION

Blount Continues As President State-owned Road

Morehead City, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Governor Broughton recommended today that Dr. D. J. Rose of Goldsboro replace T. A. Lanning on the board of directors of the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad and that Carroll W. Weathers of Raleigh replace James R. Poole of Smithfield as attorney.

The governor's recommendations normally are equivalent to election since the state owns controlling interest.

Making Plans For Drafting Fathers

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Local boards have been instructed to begin a reprocessing of their files to facilitate the drafting of fathers after October 1, State Selective Service headquarters said today.

At least two months are required for such work, headquarters said. There must be time for reclassification, notification and appeals.

Pre-Per Harbor fathers in the draftable jobs are not to be drafted before October 1, headquarters said, explaining that Washington officials wanted to "be set to go" on that date.

term for President Roosevelt would be discussed, although the resolution proposing the constitutional amendment would not alter the tenure of any president in office at the time of its adoption.

Senator Bailey (D-N.C.) said in introducing the proposal that it obviously could not be approved by a two-thirds vote of both houses and ratified by three-fourths of the state legislatures in time to become effective before the 1944 elections.

Van Nuys said he had received no indication of the Administration's attitude toward the proposal, but he predicted its early approval by the Judiciary committee. Sponsors have claimed 55 votes for the measure in the Senate but concede there is little support.

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Common Leaf Is Selling Higher

Growers Disappointed With Prices On Better Grades At Today's Opening Of Border Belt

By The Associated Press
Opening prices averaged from 41 to 43 cents on the Carolinas' border belt flue-cured (cigarette type) tobacco markets today and, while growers were reported generally well pleased with the prices being paid for medium and inferior grades, there was said to be some disappointment that prices for top grades were not higher.

At Darlington, 400,000 pounds were on the warehouse floors. The average for first sales was estimated at 41 cents a pound, with the range for the first row sold running from 38 to 45. Inferior tobacco was reported bringing about 10 cents a pound more than the corresponding grades last year.

Fairmont had an early range of from 25 to 43 cents, with the unofficial average between 42 and 43. Farmers were described as well satisfied with medium grade prices but it was said they had expected their best grades to fetch from 5 to 6 cents more per pound than was offered.

A similar report about the feeling toward prices for top quality came from Clarkton where 100,000 pounds were on the floors. The average was placed at 42.50.

With 500,000 pounds offered, Tim-

monsville had an official average of \$1.90 for the first 34,898 pounds sold. The quality was described as better than had been expected but farmers were reported disturbed by the top grade bids.

A report from Dillon said growers were generally pleased with sales but were bewildered by the small price differential on grades.

The average was estimated at 43 cents, with offerings of 150,000 pounds and a price range of 30 to 50.

Mullins had 450,000 to 500,000 pounds on sale. The top price for a single basket was 59 and the low was 18. An average of 43.08 was paid for the first 130,328 pounds. Farmers were described as "satisfied but not too happy."

A range of from 20 to 67 cents was reported at Kingstree. Inferior grades were said to be bringing better prices than last year while better grades were said to be bringing better prices than last year.

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DECISIONS TO BE MADE SOON

Churchill and Roosevelt May Hold Another Conference

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—A swift round of Allied victories in Russia, Sicily and in the air over Germany appears to have brought the war to a point where President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill must decide soon on the best strategy for shattering Hitler's European fortress.

In the past, decisions of such magnitude have been in personal conferences in Washington, or Casablanca, or aboard ship.

The present situation suggests that although the two leaders last met in Washington in May, they may find it necessary to confer again at an early date in order to give final shape to a victory campaign in Europe, weigh the prospects for an early victory and relate these prospects to the possibilities of speeding up the war in the Pacific.

News of Catania's fall, indicating the imminent collapse of all Axis resistance in Sicily, was regarded here as posing the immediate prospect of whether to follow the Sicilian conquest with an invasion of Italy or whether to soften up Premier Pietro Badoglio's strongholds by air first in hopes of forcing surrender without invasion.

Even more important ultimately is the question of whether to crush Germany by an aerial offensive.

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FEWER GOODS FOR CIVILIANS

Consumers Told That Supply Will Be Cut To Minimum

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Cautious civilians to expect a "continuing drop" on consumer goods and services during the war, the OCA today handed the WPB a tentative program for production of what it regards as essential necessities to keep the civilian economy functioning adequately.

Arthur D. Whiteside, OCA director and vice-chairman of WPB, said he did not make public the kind and quantities of goods to be manufactured, but outlined the general policies which governed the decisions.

The OCA recommendations will go before the WPB requirements committee.

The principal points of policy included:

"We must insure that all minimum essential civilian requirements are met and in addition that all national resources, above that level, be used to meet our military and foreign policy needs, are utilized to supply civilians."

"Supplies for civilians will be considered to be at the minimum essential level for any product or service when further reduction would impair civilian health, morale or working efficiency of the national economic structure, beyond that is justified by the prospective gain to the war through release of

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The WAR TODAY

AN ANALYSIS OF THE NEWS

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

A couple more stout spikes have been driven into the coffin of Hitlerism in the capture of two highly strategic cities—Orel on the flanking Russian front, and ancient Catania in the northeast corner of Sicily.

Both these cities were vital anchor points for the Nazis. The heavily fortified and strongly held railway center of Orel has for almost two years been the hinge for Hitler's great battle line across this point, not far below Moscow, and the Sea of Azov.

Catania, crouching under the great volcano of Etna, has been the powerful position to which the Nazis and Italians hooked the left wing of the front which they threw across the last remaining tip of northeast Sicily in defense of Messina and access to the Italian mainland, and two miles across the strait from that port.

These two operations, widely separated and seemingly having little relation to each other, are parts of offensives which in reality are acting as a pair of mighty pincers on the German front in Russia. This is so because (1) if the Russians have the reserve power with which to follow up their notable capture of Orel, it will endanger Hitler's right wing, and because (2) victory in Sicily brings the Allies nearer to possible invasion of the Balkans, which would further jeop-

ardize that Nazi right wing.

In short, Hitler is being pushed steadily towards that day when he will have to pull back his entire battle line of more than a thousand miles in Russia in order to reach new positions which will afford greater security.

While this is a historic moment for the Allies, we should remember that these two captures are parts of continuing operations. Pierce fighting lies ahead in both theaters.

In Sicily the terrain within the remaining triangle which the Axis forces are defending is rugged and hilly. It's well adapted to defense and has been strongly fortified. There are said to be close to 100,000 Axis troops assigned to the desperate task of holding this "last ditch" something more than half of them being Germans.

Thus we have the makings of a great battle among the innumerable hilly strongholds, many of which probably will have to be taken at the point of the bayonet—assuming that the Axis forces don't fold up and there's been no indication of this yet among the Germans. Ultimately the enemy must surrender or be annihilated, for there is no escape from this triangular trap for the vast majority of the Axis troops.

It's too soon to assay the full import of the Red capture of Orel. The cracking of this major fortress represents one of the great victories.

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Axis Defenders In Sicily Falling Back On Messina

Allies Drive Ahead In Sicily



Flags and arrows indicate American, Canadian and British drives along the Sicilian front. Americans have captured Troina, the Canadians have taken Regalbuto, and the British Eighth Army troops have captured Centuripe, Catania and Paterno, ten miles to the north.

British Sweep On Beyond Catania To Capture Paterno, 10 Miles Away; American And Canadian Forces Rolling Nazis Back In Northern Sector

By DANIEL DE LUCE
Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Aug. 5.—(AP)—British Eighth Army troops seized Catania early today and swept around the base of Mt. Etna to the northwest capturing Paterno, 10 miles away, to crumble the German line on the east coast of Sicily, headquarters announced.

Catania fell to the Eighth Army at 5:30 a. m. (EWT) today, after a bitter defense since July 15, and the British pounded ahead in a lightning advance clockwise around the base of Mt. Etna.

The heart of the German army corps appeared to be broken. Paterno is 10 miles northwest of

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Gerbin's big air base and network of nine satellite fields 12 miles west of captured Catania were disclosed tonight to be completely available for the Allied air forces.

Catania, and it was assumed that Misterbianco, three miles northwest of Catania, also had been engulfed.

German withdrawal of non-essential personnel from Sicily has been in progress for the last five or six days, it was learned authoritatively.

The German defense road around Mt. Etna was blasted apart by the British successes today and the next German line was expected to run from Taormina across the northeastern tip of the island to the sea-coast on the northeast behind San Fratello, which already is menaced by U. S. Seventh Army troops.

This would mean abandonment of the whole Mt. Etna area by the Axis.

The whole German left flank based on the heights of Mt. Etna was in grave danger from the British success achieved after terrific and incessant combat since the entire Sicilian front began on Sunday.

Pressed back from the western edge of the Catania plain, and smothered under a furious, massed artillery barrage that continued day and night, the German line (Continued on Page Six)

Italian People Press Demands To End War

Badoglio Cabinet Meets Today To Discuss "Important Measures"

By FRANK BRUTTO
Bern, Switzerland, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Announcement that the Italian government would meet today to examine "important measures" again stirred the hopes of the Italian people that steps would be taken to remove them from the war.

Associated Press dispatches from London said the British looked for the meeting to bring an answer to the Italian people's cries for peace and Germany's demands that Italy stay in the war.

A National Broadcasting Company correspondent in Bern reported the Italian foreign minister Raffaele Guariglia had drafted peace proposals containing among other conditions that no Allied troops come into the country except for control purposes and that the peninsula be "neutralized." Guariglia's proposal was said to be up for consideration at today's cabinet meeting.

A Swiss correspondent in Milan said an air of desperation had seized on the Italian people and signs were scribbled on walls at night reading:

"Death to Badoglio and the King."
"We want peace and work."
"The Germans must get out of Italy."

Cardinal Maghione, papal secretary of state, meanwhile convoked an extraordinary session of the 16 cardinals now in Rome for the apparent purpose, said the Corriere Della Sera of Milan, of discussing (Continued on Page Six)

GAS RATION TO BE EQUALIZED

Ickes Says Oil Transportation Problems Licked

By EARL AYKROID
Chicago, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Petroleum Administrator Harold L. Ickes declared today "the oil transportation problem has been about whopped" and that fair and just handling of the oil supply problem would require diversion of petroleum products from the middle west and southwest to the east, now that they can be moved.

Ickes set forth his office's position at a meeting of a group of Congressmen called to discuss the question of whether the Midwest and southwest shall have less gasoline. The administration brought with him from Washington staff members to answer queries from members of an unofficial Midwest congressional rationing committee from 32 mid-continent states.

Asserting his agency has seen no validity in "any theory of rationing simply to 'spread the misery'," Ickes summarized the four points which gasoline consumption in the middle west and southwest will have to be curtailed:

"1. War requirements for crude oil are enormous and increasing steadily."
"2. Crude oil productive capacity is falling off throughout the middle west and is susceptible of a substantial increase only in west Texas (Continued on Page Three)

Nazis Strengthen Forces In Italy

Stockholm, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Travelers who left Rome three days ago estimated today that Germany now has approximately 15 to 18 divisions between 225,000 and 270,000 men in northern Italy and is moving with incredible speed to increase this concentration of military strength north of the Po river.

Although American bombers recently left the railroad yards at Bologna in a shambles, the travelers said Nazi military engineers quickly restored traffic on the main lines to expedite the movement of German troops to strategic centers.

Civilian railroad travel is practically at a standstill, they declared, owing to the fact that the Germans have requisitioned all usable rolling stock to move their troops and war material. Waits of from five to six hours for seats in trains were said to be the rule, and travelers considered themselves lucky if they are able to obtain any sort of transportation, treasury included a plea from Secre-

Bond Purchases In July Encouraging To Officials

Washington, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The voluntary war bond purchase program has come through a crisis.

July was the crisis month. With the withholding tax on wages and salaries going into effect, treasury officials were wondering a month ago whether the new pay roll reduction would cut bond sales.

The treasury was and is opposed to compulsory methods of selling war bonds, said and still says that only a voluntary program can reach the most possible loose cash.

The war savings staff said confidently that bond sales would hold up, but in instructions sent out to employers about withholding of income taxes from paychecks, the treasury included a plea from Secre-

tary Morgenthau for "anything you can do to help" keep up bond purchases.

And now the figures for July have been added up.

They show an increase in bond purchases over June. They show a decrease in cashing in of bonds.

True, June was an income tax-paying month under the old tax set-up, and as such the total of bond purchases was less than in May, for instance, and redemptions were high.

But the war savings staff says the July showing was "very encouraging" and "bears out what we've been saying."

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Social and Personal

Forty Years Ago Today

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Social Calendar

WEDNESDAY

8:00 p. m.—Misses Alice Moore and Jane Rogers will entertain at a miscellaneous shower, at the home of Miss Rogers, honoring Miss Audrey Leggett, bride-elect.

8:30 p. m.—Mrs. Cadmus Capehart will entertain for Mrs. H. R. Phillips, a recent bride.

FRIDAY

1:00 p. m.—Fred J. Forbes, Jr. will entertain at a stag dinner, at the Proctor Hotel.

6:30 p. m.—Kiwanis Club.

7:30 p. m.—Red Men meet.

8:00 p. m.—Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Best will entertain the Black-Forbes wedding party, members of the immediate families and out-of-town guests at a buffet supper.

9:00 p. m.—Rehearsal for the Black-Forbes wedding in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

10:00 p. m.—Mr. and Mrs. S. T. White will entertain in honor of Miss Jane Forbes and Lt. Robert Black.

SATURDAY

12:00 noon.—The wedding of Miss Jane Forbes and Lt. Robert Black will be solemnized in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

12:30 p. m.—Mrs. E. A. Moyer, Jr. and Mrs. G. B. W. Hadley will entertain the Black-Forbes wedding party, members of the families and out-of-town guests at breakfast, at the home of Mrs. Moyer.

5:00 p. m.—The wedding of Miss Audrey Leggett and Staff Sergeant Carl Rex Porter will be solemnized in the Eighth Street Christian Church.

SURGICAL DRESSING STATION OF RED CROSS

Austin Building E. C. T. C. Hours Daily Except Saturday: 9-12 a. m. 2-5 p. m.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 7:30-10:00 p. m. Workers should wear wash dresses and head coverings.

Camp Vacancies.

Camp Hardee, Girl Scout camp, has ten vacancies for the last period, August 11 to 25. For reservations write Camp Hardee, Blount's Creek, N. C., or phone 3734.

Mrs. Phillips Honored.

Mrs. H. R. Phillips, recent bride, was honored last evening by Mrs. Cadmus Capehart at bridge and miscellaneous shower.

Mixed flowers were used for decorations. Coca-Colas were served as guests arrived, later a frozen salad course.

Those playing were Mesdames Iope Bradsher, Arthur Corey, T. Y. Walker, Louis Gaylor, Lindsay Savage, A. J. Slocumb, Misses Louise Jones, Eva Keeter, Mary Harding, Eva Hodges and Lela Higgs.

Mrs. Savage won high score prize, a crystal relish dish and Mrs. Slocumb second high, also a relish dish. The hostess presented Mrs. Phillips china.

Accepts Position in Alabama.

Miss Mary Ann Cobb, for five years a teacher in the Training school here, has accepted a position as teacher of the sixth grade in the Training school of the State Teachers College in Florence, Ala.

Junior Women to Sell Bonds

The Junior Women's Club will sponsor a sale of War Stamps and Bonds at Penny's store on Evans street, Saturday in honor of Molly Pitcher, famous woman who did duty on the battlefield during the American Revolutionary War. Persons buying War Stamps or Bonds will be given Molly Pitcher tags.

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Kinzie Thayer Futrell announce the engagement of their daughter Margaret Elizabeth to Lieutenant Fred Douglas Turnage.

Lt. Turnage is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Turnage of Ayden, and is stationed at Camp Davis.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, August 21, in Jarvis Memorial Methodist Church.

Mrs. K. T. Futrell announced the engagement of her daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, to Fred Turnage of Ayden, at a bridge party last evening at their home on Johnston street.

As the guests arrived they were greeted by Miss Harriet Gaylor. Places were marked with usual tokens and the guests found their places for the evening.

The home was decorated with summer flowers. Cold drinks were served during the games. Miss Lucy Blount was presented perfume for high score, and Miss Gaylor, novelty soap for low score.

A delicious ice course was served at the end of the evening. Assisting the hostess with the refreshments were Mrs. Etta Bloom and Mrs. Murray House.

Christian Youth Movement To Meet

On Sunday, August 8, at 8:45 in St. Paul's Episcopal church, all young people in Greenville are invited to assemble for another meeting of the Christian Youth Movement.

The theme for this worship pro-

gram is "Music and Poetry in Worship." Lee Belle Paramore, of the Immanuel Baptist church will give a meditation on "The Hymn Jesus Sang," and Jimmy Warren, of the Methodist church, will speak on "Religion Through Music." Before the singing of each hymn, Sarah Moore will briefly review the story of its composition and the life of its composer.

Teena Thomas, leader of this worship service, will read two selections of poetry which will be accompanied by organ music. A choir composed of Heinie Ruth, Winchard, Elizabeth Bridgers, Mary Andrews, Winchard, Margaret Nisbet, Mimi Tripp, and Jean Evans is preparing special music for the service.

All young people in town are especially invited to be present at this youth meeting, and any interested adults will be welcome.

City Homemakers Enlist For Service

Verona Lee Joyner, H. D. A. Ethel Reed Walters, Asst. H. D. A. For City of Greenville

Joint Victory Garden

The joint victory garden shared by Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Evans of Library street, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tucker of Third street, has had a good yield, according to the report of Mrs. Evans. Mr. Tucker and Mr. Evans have planned and made the garden together; likewise Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Tucker have worked together canning.

Mrs. Evans reports to date a total of 247 jars, 155 pints and 92 quarts of fruits, vegetables, pickles, relish fruit and preserves. Most of the vegetables came from the garden and Mrs. Tucker has about the same number.

Plans include the canning of more tomatoes, relish, fruit and preserves.

Mrs. C. L. Herring of Charles street, reports a fine yield from her garden also. She has about 125 jars including butter beans, peas, snaps, soup mixture, shelled beans, apple sauce, berries and preserves. Most all the vegetables came from her garden.

Canning A Joint Family Program

Mrs. L. M. Stone of Fourth street, even though handicapped for lack of help, has 161 jars of home-canned food, 103 quarts and 33 pints, including squash, snaps, tomatoes, corn, pickles, fruit and jam. My Stone works right along with Mrs. Stone, even to picking the butter beans from the vine.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Pitt County Chapter News

Services To The Armed Forces

Clubmobile workers included in the total number of club personnel were 87, almost all in Great Britain and North Africa. Most of these workers were Red Cross girls whose job it is to drive the buses known as clubmobiles, on road trips to remote camps and military installations. A clubmobile is equipped with a coffee urn and a doughnut machine, phonograph, movies, athletic equipment, books and magazines. Coffee and doughnuts and the other services of the clubmobile are welcome service, and a constant effort is being made to send sufficient equipment and personnel overseas to expand this activity.

In Great Britain, it has been found helpful to the air force men to install what have been locally named aeroclubs at certain more remote smaller air bases. Usually consisting of a small hut and a few Red Cross workers, these aeroclubs have provided a touch of home life and relaxation for men who are able to get into the cities infrequently. Cinemobiles, or traveling movie outfits, are being used successfully in Great Britain also. Similar activities are being carried on to some extent in North Africa.

Also in North Africa a recent innovation is the establishment of a few rest homes which are operated by the air force, and each of which has a Red Cross rest home directress and several Red Cross girls. The purpose of the rest homes is to give men in the air force a place where they can be sent for complete relaxation when it is felt that they are becoming overly tired or nervous from their aerial activity. It is expected that this program will be increased rapidly, and it is also anticipated that other types of much larger rest centers will be established shortly in North Africa.

The foregoing report of the

People Read Rome Extras



Pressenbild, Swedish picture agency, advised that this picture radiated from Stockholm to New York, was received from a Rome picture agency and described as a group gathered in a Rome street July 26 reading a newspaper headline stating "Hail Italy's Liberation." Crowds of people, said the caption accompanying the radio-photo transmission, purchased extra copies of Rome newspaper after Mussolini's fall.

King And Badoglio Review Troops



This picture, sent by radio from Bern, Switzerland, was described by Bern as having appeared on the cover of the Italian picture magazine Novella at Milan, showing King Vittorio Emanuele of Italy (second from left), and Marshal Pietro Badoglio (right) reviewing troops after Badoglio's appointment as "head of a military government with full powers."

activities of over 2,000 Red Cross workers in services to the armed forces overseas, it should be added that at the end of April there were a large number of workers already trained and awaiting the first available transportation overseas. Beyond that, the training classes at National headquarters in Washington were turning out several hundred overseas workers each month, all of whom were eagerly awaited in the outlying theatres of operations. The need for recruits continued, and the employment service was making every effort to meet the requirements with properly qualified personnel.

In addition to workers from America, it should be remembered that many persons in certain foreign countries are assisting in operating the clubs, some as regular paid kitchen, dining room, and cleaning staff, and many as full time volunteers.

Ed Rowl, Jr., Cited As Navy Honor Man

Edwin Elzy Rowl, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rowl of Greenville, entered the U. S. Navy some months ago, was recently cited as honor man of his class at the U. S. Naval Training Station for recruits at Bainbridge, Md.

The citation follows: "By virtue of the superior aptitude of Edwin Elzy Rowl, Jr. in assimilating the instruction given in the course of training for recruits at this training station, has demonstrated loyalty, attention to duty, dependability, aptitude for naval life, and the marked evidence of those qualities which are particularly characteristic of a real man-of-warman, he is hereby designated honor man of Company 2304 during its period of training completed August 3, 1943."



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Bethel News

By R. D. WHITEHURST, JR.

Bethel, Aug. 5—Miss Bettye James left yesterday to visit her brother, Robert James, Jr., at Camp Crowder, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Heath of Wadley, Ga., are guests of Rev. and Mrs. Phillips.

Mrs. F. E. Price and son are vacationing at Virginia Beach, Va. Miss Frances Tucker Andrews, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Andrews, has returned to the home of her parents after a visit with Miss Margaret Sue Lassiter of Marion, Va., and Mrs. Joe Fowler of Mount Airy, N. C.

Miss Gretchen Station is visiting her sister, Mrs. Murry Hodges. Lt. H. L. Rives, Jr., and wife recently spent a few days as guest of Lt. Rives parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Rives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Vaughan of Norman, Okla., are visiting Mrs. Vaughans' parents Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Johnson. Mr. Vaughan is rated SP (2c) Instructor in the Metal-smith school in the Naval Base at Norman, Okla.

Louis Anderson S 1c USN is visiting his parents for a few days. Mrs. W. R. James of Washington, D. C., is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Edmondson.

Friends of Miss Alice Carter will be glad to know she has improved sufficiently to return home. She has been a patient at Edgecombe Hospital in Tarboro.

Mr. Bill James has returned from Pitt Hospital, Greenville, where he has been a patient.

Miss Virginia Wilson spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilson. She is a student at ECTC, Greenville, N. C.

Mr. T. A. Whitfield, USN has returned to Norfolk where he will be in school for an indefinite time. Miss Edith Gurthrie has returned to her home after vacationing at Virginia Beach.

Tired Aching Feet

Tonight bathe those tired, aching, burning feet—dry thoroughly and rub in Moore's Emerald Oil. Feet new and old comfort such as you thought never existed to stinging, itching, burning feet. Get Moore's Emerald Oil at any progressive drug store—it does not stain—economical—money back if not satisfied.

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10c 13c 17c

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MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS

Good selection men's pre-war dress shirts. Good colors and patterns. A real buy.

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S. Casualties In Sicily Light

Washington, Aug. 5. — (AP) — Casualties in Sicily through July 22 totaled 6,741—501 killed, 3,870 wounded and 2,370 missing. Secretary of War Stimson reports today, observing: "Considering the number of men killed, these losses are considered light—particularly in view of the rain in Sicily." Secretary said he did not know the figures on British casualties for the same period, but they "were not a great deal higher." He said since July 22 were better to be "relatively light." He told his press conference that gains had been made and forces in all theaters the week.

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(Continued from Page One) or to employ a combined strategy. If airpower is used upon to deliver the main invasion army may have smash the outer walls of the ental defenses in order to the whole thing collapse. The command, it seems, must de-ether air can do the job. questions ordinarily are re- for decision by the President and Minister and their chiefs for land, sea and air. before in the war have the American and their allies been compelled to deal events so climactic or fast-

er Goods . . .

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quate repair parts, replacement and labor must be made to maintain existing equipment in the hands of as in operating conditions

Involved In Opening Incident Of Harlem Riots



Floriene Roberts (left), 49, and Margie Polite, right, 35, are arraigned in magistrates court in New York on charges of assault and acting in concert with Military Police man Robert Bandy. Their arrest by Patrolman James Collins, (extreme right), led to Bandy attacking Collins, with the patrolman shooting Bandy prior to the outbreak of the Harlem disorders during which hundreds were involved. At least six were dead and scores injured.



Babson Says Mussolini Saved Us 15 Bllions

In a special letter to his investment clients, Roger W. Babson says in part: "When Mussolini last visited Hitler he asked for military aid and permission to withdraw Italian troops from other countries. Hitler flatly refused Mussolini. Mussolini

was greatly upset by the Rome bombings and labor uprisings and especially by the refusal of the Vatican to protest such bombings. These events caused him to crack.

2. "The king of Italy was asked by the Vatican and the conservative army and navy interests of Italy to appoint Badoglio. His first act will be to get Italian soldiers back into Italy and the German soldiers out of Italy. Then he will try to make an honorable trade with the United Nations. Roosevelt and Churchill are now discussing whether 'unconditional surrender' applies only to a fascist regime or to the nation as a whole.

3. "Withdrawal of Italian troops from the Balkans should have a profound psychological effect on these satellites which should be a direct help to Russia. Other countries will follow the lead of Italy. Russia will use this opportunity to push her gains. Hitler will then realize that he will lose his Russian campaign. Turkey is in a very strong position to help Russia and all the United Nations if she will join them.

4. "The most serious problem facing Hitler is oil. He relies much upon the Rumanian oil fields. Much depends upon whether the United Nations get the airfields of northern Italy and the Italian ports and navy. If Italy would turn these over to us now she can enjoy an honorable peace. The duration of the European conflict, therefore, largely depends upon what trade the United Nations can make with Italy.

5. "China is not getting on well while Japan is digging in. The U. S. 'great victories' in the Pacific are largely in the newspaper headlines. Of course, we can make much faster gains against Japan later when we have the help of England (possibly aided by German planes and submarines), but Russia holds the trump hand in the Pacific. Russia can dictate the peace terms there. This means World War II will not be over until after the elections of 1944. Yet, the events of the past ten days, have shortened the war by at least three months. The collapse of Mussolini will have many American lives and probably \$15-200,000,000.

6. "If we permit Italy to become neutral, how can we refuse the same privilege to France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia? This would result in Germany being protected by a ring of neutral states. Is this what President Roosevelt had in mind when he talked about the war possibly not ending until 1945 which would be after the elections of 1944?"

Railway Body . . .

(Continued from Page One) terest in the road, now under lease to the Atlantic and East Carolina Railroad Company.

Recommended for the Finance committee were K. A. Pittman of Snow Hill, Thomas W. Haywood of New Bern and W. P. Little of Raleigh.

Remaining as officers are Jackson H. Blount of Greenville, president; W. M. Webb of Morehead City, chairman; and F. E. Wallace of Kinston, secretary-treasurer; and as directors, Webb, William Dunn, of New Bern, Raymond Maxwell, of New Bern, J. K. Warren of Trenton, L. B. Jenkins of Kinston, Selby Anderson of Wilson, and Blount. Lovine had asked that he not be reappointed.

The railroad, running from Goldsboro to Morehead City, has been allotted \$600,000 in state and federal funds for improvements between Kinston and HMorehead City Naval officials, who came here for discussions with the rail directors and Governor Broughton, said it was vital it occupies in that area.

Named by the private stockholders, directors were George W. Ippock of Craven county, H. F. Gibbs of Morehead City, George W. Folk of Edenton and Leo Harvey of Kinston. C. M. Potter of New Bern was reelected inspector, and the private stockholders named B. O. Jones and J. F. Claypool, both of New Bern, to the finance committee.

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Gas Ration To . . .

(Continued from Page One) and to a relatively minor degree in parts of Louisiana and new Mexico.

3. The combination of the first two factors means that we are now at the point in the United States where we cannot be sure that we will continue to have enough crude oil to meet the requirements of war and essential civilian use unless petroleum products are used conservatively.

4. Gasoline production has fallen off and is continuing to fall off because more and more of each barrel of crude oil that used to go into automobile gasoline is now going into 100 octane aviation gasoline, toluene for TNT, butadiene for synthetic rubber, distillate for heating purposes and for processing in catalytic cracking plants that are making petroleum war products.

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Food and Nutrition Consultant to Wilson & Co.

CHECK LUNCH BOX FOR "DIET BALANCE"
WITH OTHER MEALS OF THE DAY

When you plan your lunch box menus, by all means consider the other two of the day. The mid-day (or midnight) lunch is an important part of the day's food picture and as such should be planned to supplement the nutritive values of the foods served for breakfast and supper. So check your lunch carefully every day with your other meals in mind to be sure that together they meet the standards of good nutrition.

VICTORY LUNCH . . .

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DAILY NUTRITION GUIDE

a basis for checking your day's here is a list which nutritionists agreed an adult should eat daily: Meat, Poultry or Fish—one or servings daily. Eggs—at least 3 or 4 a week. Vegetables—Green, Leafy and w—one big helping or more a day or raw, some cooked. Fruits, Tomatoes, Grapefruit eat one of these daily. Potatoes, Apples, Bananas—at least five fruits and vegetables including No. 3 and No. 4. Milk—at least a pint a day. Bread and Cereal—enriched, enriched flour, whole grain products, macaroni, spaghetti. Fats, Sweets—and seasonings as like them. If you eat these "foundation foods" that you want.

heck and Double Check

ve you thought of this? The lunch should furnish at least half of the day's food requirements means the protective vitamins, salts and proteins as well as calories. Foods that are well wrapped in

wax paper keep fresh longer—keep their flavors to themselves, too. 3. Every meal should have at least one hot dish. 4. Salads and some desserts can be sent in glass jars with tight covers. 5. An occasional surprise in the lunch-box makes the day seem brighter—home, sweet home, sweeter.

PROOF IN THE EATING

Just as a check on your technique, why not pack an extra lunch occasionally for yourself and eat it in the middle of the day. No fair keeping it in the refrigerator though unless your defense worker can do the same. Fair enough?

In preparing the Victory Lunch above, preheat the Thermos bottle with hot water if you want the soup to stay hot. Simply dissolve 1 tsp. Wilson's B-V in 1 tbs. boiling water, add 1 cup hot water (use vegetable water if available) and left-over vegetables (plan ahead for this). It's delicious! Helps stimulate appetite and digestion, too.

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Strength FOR THE DAY

By EARL L. DOUGLAS

RUSKIN'S CREED
John Ruskin, the noted English writer, endeavored during his life to found a society called the Guild of St. George. The purpose of this organization was to buy land and establish thereon communities free from many of the bad influences which blighted the life of great cities. Ruskin wrote a book setting forth the principles underlying the project and incorporating the promise which he felt each person desiring membership should make. It was a threefold promise made as follows: 1. To do your own work well, whether it be for life or death. 2. To help other people at times when you can, and to avenge no injury. 3. To be sure you can obey good laws before you seek to alter bad ones.

As a social movement the enterprise was never very successful. But certainly it was not because there was anything lacking in this pledge. Ruskin never tired of saying that life without industry is guilt, while industry without art is brutality. His social teachings fell often on deaf ears. He was a social reformer living several decades before the era of social reform. It was his great delight to link duty and privilege together before men's eyes and to din into their ears that these two things always belong together. His creed was summed up in the declaration that it is man's duty to do his work before he seeks to alter bad ones.

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JUST THE BEGINNING

With the capture of Orel by the Russians and with the British overrunning Catania in Sicily this morning, while American and Canadian forces are rolling the Nazis backward toward the Sicilian escape port of Messina, is it any wonder that reports from Germany are to the effect that Hitler often appears "apathetic and depressed." The way things are going for the Axis now it appears to us that Hitler and his cohorts in crime have some still bigger headaches in store for them in the very near future.

IT'S BEST TO WAIT

A reminder to the farmers that it is just two and a half weeks before the tobacco markets in this section opens is not amiss at this time. Farmers who wait to sell their tobacco here instead of carrying it to the border markets will not only save the extra transportation costs but they will likewise save the gasoline that is so essential to our war effort at this time.

SURRENDER—OR ELSE!

The rumors from Italy as to just what kind of armistice or peace terms it will accept from the Allies makes us tired. Naturally we want Italy out of the war as quickly as possible, and in the end will give her better terms if she surrenders now without further resistance, but to consider for a moment giving Italy a neutral status at this time is absurd. Italy had the opportunity of remaining neutral in the

Freedom Rings--And Loud



early stages of the war, but instead she chose to stab France in the back at the time that country was tottering under the weight of the German aggressors. Now, with her own back to the wall she wants to be permitted to get out of the war and return to neutrality. The Allied leaders are right in emphasizing that it is up to Italy now to accept unconditional surrender or take the consequences.

WASHINGTON IN WARTIME

By JACK STINNETT

(During Jack Stinnett's vacation, his column is being conducted by members of the Washington staff of The Associated Press. Today's column is by William Frye.)

By WILLIAM FRYE

Washington—The man chiefly responsible for AMGOT never lived to see the fruit of his labors. AMGOT—Allied Military Government of Occupied Territories—now is operating in Sicily, marking the first time that the United States, which has established many military governments, has ever been prepared for the job.

Credited for this preparation—the careful decisions on policy, the determination of possibilities and limitations, the choice of methods, the intensive schooling of officers for AMGOT and nothing else—is shared by many men, but most of it goes to the late Col. Irvin Leland Hunt.

Hunt died in Washington 10 years ago, when he was 56. And for 10 years before that, military government had been no concern of his. Nevertheless, AMGOT is Hunt's brainchild.

For Hunt was the officer in charge of civil affairs in the American zone of the occupied Rhineland, the man responsible—under the commanding general—for the military government of the area.

Out of the successful improvisations of that experience came his full analysis of the problem and his urgent recommendation that when, if ever, America again faced a similar prospect, the Army get ready with a specially trained group to handle the task. His report was one of the most complete and meticulous ever written by an Army officer on any operation, and it was documented with specific examples of every kind of problem encountered, and the action taken to meet it.

When Col. Archibald King, now chief of the War Plans Division, Judge Advocate General's office, was assigned in the fall of 1939 to prepare a field manual on military government, he sent for Hunt's four-volume report, brushed off the dust of its 25 years in the archives, and made it the basis of his booklet. Until the country was at war, little more needed to be done, but after Pearl Harbor the conference began. Robert P. Patterson, under secretary credits most of the subsequent planning to Maj. Gen. Allen W. Gullion, Provost Marshal General of the Army, and Brig. Gen. Cornelius W. Wickersham, who came into the picture when it was decided to open a military government school and he was chosen as

its head. Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy was one of the planners, as was Brig. Gen. E. S. Greenbaum, Patterson's executive officer, and the practical advice of Harold H. Neff, based on his years of personal experience with foreign people and affairs, contributed heavily to the formulation of aims and policies. Neff, an assistant to the under secretary, is a former professor of international law at the University of Virginia.

From the top department staff down to the officer in charge of charitable institutions in an occupied town, the Army has adopted a plan for military government, and not rely on the hit-or-miss methods that prevailed from 1803 to 1918.

The WAR TODAY

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of the war. Into it have gone the lives of many scores of thousands of fighting men of both Germany and Russia.

Incidentally, it's only ten days ago that I received a letter from an anonymous Nazi sympathizer, signing himself "a soldier," who took me to task for saying that the indications were the Reds would take Orel. He said it was a preposterous suggestion, and said the prizes of the Battle of Moscow were a lot of these fifty columnists still about.

The fighting which has preceded this victory has been titanic—Reminiscent of the struggle at Stalingrad. The Russians drove forward, in the face of the best defense which Hitler could muster, until they all but had Orel surrounded. Complete encirclement would have meant the annihilation of a Nazi force of some 250,000 men, but it would appear that the German command has been able to withdraw many of them.

Orel not only is a strong point, but it is a vital railway center. Its capture will enable the Russians to reopen vital rail communications between Moscow and the southern sectors.

The ultimate effect of the fall of Orel might be catastrophic for the Germans, if the Russian have the strength to develop it. However, this is no time to jump to sweeping conclusions.

Fourth Term . . .

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The chance of obtaining the necessary two-thirds support for the administration opposes the Van Nuys, who announced in 1940 that he was opposed to a fourth term for any president, declined to state his attitude toward a fourth term nomination for Mr. Roosevelt but Senator Hatch (D-NM) reiterated in a radio address last night a prediction that the President would be the democratic nominee if the war continues or peace negotiations have not been completed.

Bond Purchases . . .

(Continued from Page Four)
The E F and G bonds in May, 1941, through July of this year, total sales were \$19,375,971.00. During the same period, redemptions totaled \$966,831,000—or 5 percent of the total sales.

June Sales of these bond issues totaled \$875,490,000. Redemptions \$134,822,000. July sales were \$889,691,000, redemptions \$114,424,000.

Common Tobacco . . .

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The grades were slightly lower. The average was estimated at 41.

At Loris an average of 39.79 was established during the first hour's sales. Growers "seemed somewhat displeased with the average," a report said. The range was from 7 to 44 cents with the offerings mostly

MURDER IN TIN

By CARL A. PETERSON

Chapter 25
I shut the door of my room and Sam Taggard sat down.
"Are you engaged to my daughter like the papers claim?" I felt him examining me carefully as if he were, in fact, only the father of a marriageable daughter.
"No! Where'd you come from?" I said.
"Just newspaper gossip, eh? Is there anything between you two?"
"No. But—well—"
"So there is something between you?" He shook his head. "Damn it, Johnson! His gaze at me was weary. I noticed that his face was creased with wrinkles. The last six months had taken its toll from him.
"My daughter," he said, "poor kid." There was no fury in his eyes now. "How about a truce? I need help. Let me warn you I'm not carrying a guide post to the tin on me. So it's no use arresting me. I want my kid and it's not going to be easy. Johnson's smart." His free hand tore into his hair. "Johnson wants me, wants me dead. Has to have me dead or the tin's no asset to him."
"Lathrop—"
"Don't bother me about Lathrop. It's my kid I care about. Don't you understand what you read in the newspapers? They say: Your kid's gone and she'll stay gone unless you stay away from the government boys. They say: If you want your kid, you play ball with us."
"I was trying to appraise the potentials of this development in view of our main object: Tin plus the apprehension of the enemy ring operating against us. I thought that if I cooperated with Sam Taggard, that might develop into a second pincer move. The logic for a second pincer was over-riding. If we had hoped to use the Gestapo to get hold of Sam Taggard and his tin, why couldn't we use Sam Taggard now to get hold of the Gestapo?"
"But what of the tin?"
"I haven't got it. See here, do it

my way—"
"Why should we?"
"If you arrest me what do you suppose'll happen to Lila? Johnson'll kill her once he heard I was in the hands of the government. Do it my way. How'd that Johnson get out of the Opolo?"
"I told him what I knew. We had found out later that Johnson, Chevalle and Lila had gone no further than the adjoining room, Room Eleven, previously engaged by Chevalle under an assumed name. In Room Eleven, a concealed wall button had opened a way into a passageway which had led to a series of antique iron ladders.
They had descended down these ladders into the basement and had then walked underground for almost a hundred yards through a four foot high tunnel braced with rotting timbers. It was only after we had had the blueprints and had methodically explored all the walls, ceilings, and floors that weren't average that we had hit upon the get-away.
"The first thing we have to do is to get in touch with Chevalle," Taggard said.
"How?"
"He told me—"
Late that night I took a cab out of fashionable Mexico City to the address Taggard had given me—a small restaurant presided over by a man in a dirty apron. When I got there a few customers were still drinking and smoking.
I waited for the man in the dirty apron to come to my table. This restaurant, as I now knew, and not the Club Opolo, was the exchange, the clearing-house between the Japanese espionage and Sam Taggard. Smiling, the proprietor approached me. He was, I knew a member of the Mexican fascist Gold shirts.
"I said 'Naranja.' That meant orange. It was also the password or rather the first part of the password. Sam Taggard's information had been quite detailed.
"Naranja," the proprietor repeated. He wasn't smiling now. He looked over his shoulder at his customers. Then he said, "Llevar naranjas a Valencia." He was using European Spanish. What he had said was the Spanish equivalent of carrying coals to Newcastle—to carry oranges to Valencia. He peered at me hard, waiting for the rest of the password.
"Se me lleva indicado que vende articulos ingleses," I said. Which

of lugs. Offerings were 100,000 pounds.

The Whiteville market reported an average of "above 40 cents" in early trading. Poor tobacco was said to be selling at relatively high prices. The range was from 37 to 46 cents.

The average at Lumberton, where half a million pounds were sold, was above 40 cents in early trading. Jasper C. Hutto, supervisor of sales, said farmers apparently felt the 41 cent ceiling was the governing factor in the price scale rather than the quality of the tobacco. Considerable common and nondescript tobacco was sold, with some baskets bringing as low as 10 and 12 cents a pound.

Chadbourne's average was estimated at 42 cents, with offerings placed at 40 and 41 cents. Growers were said to be "delighted" with prices for the poorer grades but they did not find the prices for high grades so satisfactory, a message to the market reported.

At Pamlico the first row brought from 35 to 39 cents, and the average was estimated at 41 cents. Offerings were light.

A 33 to 49 cents range and an average of 42 cents were reported at Tabor City. Growers were reported "well pleased" with their returns. Sales were 100,000 pounds.

From Fair Bluff some "grumbling" about the prices offered for superior tobacco was reported but growers were said to be satisfied with returns from other grades. The average was estimated at 42 cents, with sales placed at 50,000 pounds.

British Bombers Raid Continent

London, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Swift RAF Mosquito bombers attacked objectives in the Ruhr and Rhineland last night in a renewal of assaults on German industry, it was announced today.

The British planes made the night attacks without loss, it was announced.

British naval aircraft also attacked a flotilla of eight German E-boats off Calais during the night and sank three and seriously damaged a fourth, the Air Ministry news service announced today.

Although the British planes encountered sharp anti-aircraft fire, all returned safely, the announcement said.

The Berlin radio later reported that British motor torpedo boats had attacked a German convoy off Dunkerque just before dawn today but said they had been driven off.

HEALTH QUIZ

Do you have poor digestion? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you feel headachy after eating? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you get sour or upset easily? ☐ YES ☐ NO
Do you feel tired—listless? ☐ YES ☐ NO

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meant: I am told that you sell English goods.

"St. Senor." He excused himself. He brought me a glass of wine and again excused himself.

It was almost an hour and a half later on my wrist watch, when he returned. Under his breath he said something in Spanish. I didn't understand at first, but then I gathered that I was to go outside.

Outside, a roadster had parked in front of the restaurant. The proprietor tapped on the roadster's hood and was gone. I peered at the driver who flung open the door. I got inside. The driver shoved the car into gear.

The motor hummed and we were speeding down the street. I thought that I was a damned fool to trust Sam Taggard. But then I wasn't so sure of being such a fool. The Gestapo didn't want me. They wanted Sam Taggard's tin. But suppose they decided. I had information that I didn't possess? It was a risky commando-like venture I had volunteered myself into. The reasons weren't obscure either. I was not only proving to myself that I was a government man with courage equal to that of a buck private, I was proving that I would take a chance to help her.

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1. Be interested
5. Omit
9. Knock
12. Mimic
13. Century plant
14. Arabians garment
15. Star in Lyra
16. Dillweed
17. Swamp
18. Express
19. Romantic night
21. Sicilian music
22. Famous
23. Suitable
26. Choose
28. And not
31. Fodder pit
32. English school
35. Old musical note

DOWN
37. Particles
38. The herb eve
39. Exalted
40. Fencing sword
41. Spill
42. Cylindrical
43. Old times
44. poetic
47. Religious leaflet
48. Soft drink
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53. Long narrow
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AP Features

SEWELL LEADS PITCHERS IN BIG LEAGUES

Majors This Year May Have 10 Flingers With Record Wins

By TED MEIER
(Associated Press Sports Writer)

The major leagues may be able to boast of 10 or more 20-game winning pitchers this year compared to only four in 1942.

Where only Mort Cooper, Johnny Beasley, Ernie Bonham and Tex Hughson were able to make the grade a year ago, five twirlers already seem certain of reaching the coveted 20-game goal with 10 others having better than an even chance.

Topped, of course, by the veteran 35-year-old Rip Sewell of the Pittsburgh Pirates, the National League claims four of the five twirlers virtually certain of winning 20 games. Sewell has won 17 and lost two. Cooper, Cardinal ace, has a record of 15-6. Elmer Riddle of Cincinnati, with 14-5, and Hit Bithorn, of the Cubs, with 13-8 round out the senior loop quartet.

Spud Chandler of the New York Yankees is the only American League pitcher with whistling distance of the charmed circle. He has won 13 and lost three.

Bonham, who won 21 for the Yankees last year, and Hughson, who was credited with 22 for the Boston Red Sox in 1942, each have a chance to repeat. Big Ernie has won 10 and lost five for the Yanks; Hughson had chalked up 11 wins against seven setbacks.

In the "maybe" class may be placed Ray Starr of Cincinnati, 10-8; Claude Passeau of the Cubs, 10-7; Oscar Judd of the Red Sox, 10-6; Alex Carrasquel and early Wynn, of Washington 10-5, and 11-7, respectively; Jim Beaby and Al Smith of Cleveland, 11-10 and 10-8, respectively; Dizzy Trout of Detroit, 10-9; and Orval Grove of the White Sox 10-1.

Al Javery of the Boston Braves; Johnny Vander Meer, of the Reds; Virgil Trucks of Detroit; and Buck Newsom of the Browns, have an "outside" chance of hitting the 20-game mark. Each has won nine times.

Pittsburgh came up with four runs in the seventh inning to beat the Phillies 6-3, in the only game played in both leagues yesterday.

Third Streeters Lose To East End

East End's softball team came out of the cellar of the Junior Softball league yesterday by defeating Third Street 6-5.

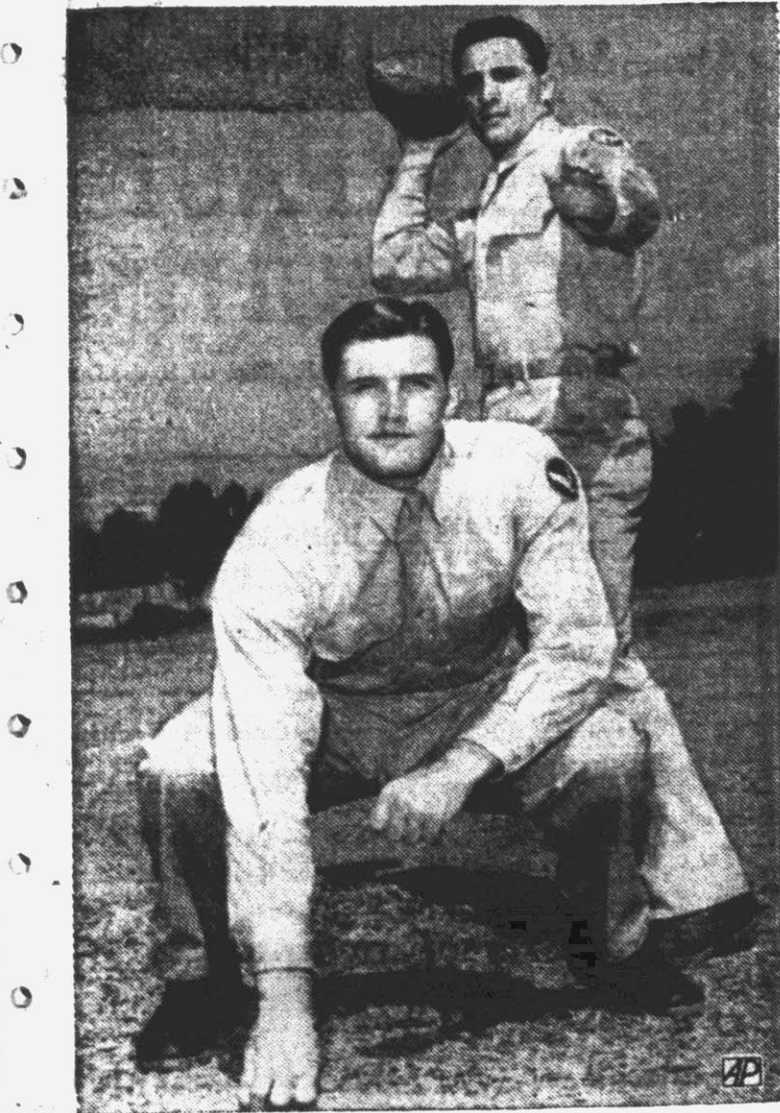
Bobby Pease and his sister Jean, the only girl to play in the league this year, were the leading hitters for East End. Bobby Pease again hit safely four times for the losers, followed by Jones and Stokes with three hits each.

West Greenville forfeited a game to the Training School.

East End	102	120	0-6	8
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Rehearsal For The All-Stars



Pvt. Charley Trippel, (rear), one of Georgia's Rose Bowl heroes last New Year's Day in the 9-0 victory over C. L. A., tunes up his accurate throwing arm with Pvt. Les Kalchik, former Marquette tackle, providing "protection," on a drill field at Greensboro's (N. C.) Basic Training Center No. 10 of the Army Air Forces Training Command. Both have been granted furloughs to play in the All-Stars-Washington Redskins football classic at Evanston, Ill., on August 25. They now serve as physical training instructors for the Army Air Force.

Two-Tar Heels Who Will Enter Annual Swim Meet



Among Tar Heel entries in the 9th annual Carolinas AUU and Junior National swimming championship meet at Tarboro, N. C., August 6-8, are Evelyn Barbee, (right), and Ethel Laughlin, (left). Miss Barbee, 13, of Goldsboro, a member of the medley relay team holding the American record, will enter the junior national 150 meter medley race, and the 100 meter backstroke, and the 800 meter free style races. Miss Laughlin, 5, a member of the host club's free style relay team which holds the American record and the Mid-Atlantic backstroke champion, will participate in several events also.

BASEBALL RESULTS

American League
No games scheduled.

National League
Philadelphia-Pittsburgh, night.
Others not scheduled.

Southern Association
Birmingham 8, Little Rock 7.
Atlanta 3, Knoxville 2.
Montgomery 5, Nashville 1.
Memphis 5-0, New Orleans 3-2.

Piedmont League
Roanoke 5, Durham 4.
Lynchburg 9, Portsmouth 8.
Norfolk 9, Richmond 8.

STANDINGS

American League	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	58	36	.617
Washington	53	47	.530
Chicago	49	45	.521
Detroit	47	47	.500
Cleveland	46	47	.495
Boston	46	49	.484
St. Louis	42	51	.452
Philadelphia	39	58	.402

National League	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	63	31	.670
Pittsburgh	52	43	.547
Brooklyn	52	47	.525
Cincinnati	50	46	.521
Chicago	45	49	.479
Philadelphia	44	54	.449
Boston	40	52	.435
New York	36	60	.375

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.

New York, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Betcha never knew this—a collection of odd and unimportant items culled from sports history:

Fifth Wheel
Connie Mack's famous "\$100,000" infield was composed of five men—Stuffy McInnis, Eddie Collins, Jack Barry and Home Run Baker (the four you've heard about) and Danny Murphy, who cost Connie about

\$500. Murphy arrived late for his first game with the A's on July 8, 1902, so Jud Castro played the first inning and got a hit. Then Murphy turned up and smacked six consecutive blows, so his late arrival cost him a chance to get his name into the record books with the all-time leaders.

Y's Guy
The fact that Wayne Johnson, who played 60 minutes of good football for Harvard against Yale last fall now is a Marine trainee and candidate for the Yale team reminds old-timers of the 1913 game between the Elis and the Johnnies. P. J. O'Brien, Harvard end, scored a deliberate safety that day, thinking he was merely making a touchback. Harvard won, so it was only a gag when O'Brien's teammates voted to award him his "Y."

Sounds Fishy
When the first team of Finnish athletes, including the great Hannes Kohlenmaier, came to this country, Lawson Robertson escorted them on a trip to Canada. Before entering a pullman car in the New York station, the Finns all removed their shoes. At lunch time some one brought out a suitcase big enough to hold a fiddle, extracted a wicked looking knife, a loaf of bread as long as the case, an equally large fish and sliced them down the middle for sandwiches. By the time Paavo Nurmi followed their trail, the Finns had learned more about what can be done with an expense account.

Block off the Old Chip
George Chip, who bossed the middleweight division in 1913-14, probably was the only champion who lost his title while serving as a substitute. George's kid brother Joe had given an unknown named Al McCoy a licking but when a real turn bout was arranged in Brooklyn Joe got hurt in training. The promoter thought it would be smart to get George to sub for his brother in a no-decision affair. At the bell, Chip swarmed all over McCoy; his first assault failed to put Al down and George stepped back to get his breath. As he relaxed a moment, a punch came from nowhere. The fight was all over in just 45 seconds and McCoy was the new champion.

It's A Gyp-see
Alex Robb of the thoroughbred racing associations dug up the yarn about Gypsy Lee, who kicked a derby winner for an English nobleman some 75 years ago. Gypsy wrote "blew down" on the race program and sure enough Sir Joseph

Hawley's Blue Gown" won the Epsom derby. Peaved because the Noblemen criticized her spelling, Gypsy Lee then prophesied that no horse whose name began with "W" would win the derby as long as she lived—and none did. Gypsy Lee died in 1933 and next spring day really unloaded their pockets to bet in Windsor laid, owned by the Maharajah of Rajppla. Of course, the "W" horse won at odds better

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Poultry and Eggs
Raleigh, Aug. 5—(AP)—(NCDA)—Eggs and poultry markets steady to firm.
Raleigh—U. S. grade A extra large (clean white) 52; grade A hens, all sizes, 20 to 25.
Washington—U. S. grade A large 48; some broilers and fryers 28 1/2.

Hog Market
Raleigh, Aug. 5—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog markets steady with tops at 14.00 at Richmond and 13.85 at Rocky Mount.

Grain Market
Chicago, Aug. 5—(AP)—A good demand for oats featured in another week of little change in grain markets. In view of the rapidly-breaking war developments, many traders took to the sidelines and activity was light.
Strength in oats was based upon a strong cash demand for this grain and a private crop forecast showing a smaller upturn in estimated corn production than many traders had anticipated. However, the forecast was made as of August 1 and important areas received needed rains after that date.
September wheat closed 1.44 1/2-1/4, oats 71-71 1/2, rye 1.02 1/2-1/4.

New York Cotton
New York, Aug. 5—(AP)—(Old contract)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to 10 cents a bale lower. Noon prices were 10-25 cents a bale lower, Oct. 19.88, Dec. 19.73, Mar. 19.57.
Futures closed (old contracts) 40 to 60 cents a bale lower.
Oct. Open 19.82 Close 19.80
Dec. 19.76 19.77 19.77
Mar. 19.58 19.52 19.62
May 19.46 19.36 19.48
July 19.30 19.23 19.33
Middling spot 21.10, off 6.

N. Y. Stock Market
New York, Aug. 5—(AP)—Stocks tilted a little lower today in one of the slowest sessions of the year. In the final hour some leaders rallied slightly from the lows but fractional minus marks predominated.
Transactions totaled about 600,000 shares.

FINAL STOCKS
Al Chem and Dye 153 1/2
Allegheny 2 1/2
Allegheny Mfg 37 1/2
Am Can 85
Am Car Fdy 36
Am Rad and St S 9
Am Rail Mill 14
Am Smelt and Ref 39 1/2
Am Sug Ref 26 1/2
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Am Tob B 57 1/2
Anacosta 26 1/2
Arm Ill 5 1/2
At Ret 25 1/2
Aviat Corp 4 1/2
Baldwin 15 1/2
Bentley Aviat 34 1/2
Beth Stl 61 1/2
Boeing Airpl 15 1/2
Borden 29 1/2
Briggs Mfg 26 1/2
Budd Mfg 6 1/2
Burr Mill 27 1/2
Bur Add Mach 12 1/2
Case J I 108 1/2
Caterpillar Trac 48 1/2
Ches and O 45 1/2
Chrysler 76 1/2
Coca Cola 115
Coml Credit 39 1/2
Coml Solv 13 1/2
Coml Can 33 1/2
Corn Prod 53 1/2
Curtis Wright 7 1/2
Dow Chem 139
Dupont 146
Eastman Kod 160 1/2
Firestone 38
Gen Elec 36 1/2
Gen Foods 40 1/2
Gen Mot 51 1/2
Goodrich 37 1/2
Goodyear 36 1/2
Int Harvest 66 1/2
Int Tel and Tel 14 1/2
Johns Man 84 1/2
Libby O F Gl 39 1/2
Ligz and Myers B 69 1/2
Loews 61
Lorillard 19 1/2
Mack Truck 33 1/2
Nash Kelv 21 1/2
Nat Biscuit 21 1/2
Nat Cash Reg 26 1/2

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around bomb and fire-scarred Catania broke early today.

Catania was taken despite strong enemy resistance, a special communique said.

The Allied advance continued all along the front, headquarters said, as American, Canadian and British troops drove the Germans back toward their last escape port of Messina, 55 miles north of Catania, and tremendous aerial and sea blows were hammered home in support of the great drive.

British warships rained shells upon the Taormina road and railway midway between Catania and Messina yesterday, giving that exposed communication center what was believed to be its heaviest bombardment yet.

American cruisers and destroyers ranging the northeast coast continued their day and night shelling of German positions ahead of the American Seventh Army troops swinging rapidly beyond San Stefano.

From the air, Allied bombers and fighters swept over enemy communication centers and supply lines to disrupt the German defense. Flying Fortresses again smashed at docks and submarine bases at Naples, in the fourth raid in four days and the "target was well covered by bombs," an air communique reported.

The battle of Catania ended and the battle for Messina began, for all along the enemy's mountainous bridgehead British and American forces plunged forward for new gains.

The British by their continued bombardments of Taormina acted to paralyze if not cut the Germans' east coast supply—and retreat—route.

The enemy's line of retreat from Catania is a three-mile wide corridor between the mountains and the sea and in that harsh, rugged strip there are a number of points where he might attempt a stand.

Catania's capture in effect turned the German flank on the east coast and the British surged ahead on the slopes of Mt. Etna fagging the sea.

The enemy frantically planted mines and blew up bridges in attempting to stem the inexorable Allied advance.

To wipe out the Germans' grip on Catania, the British first had to break enemy control of Etna's heights northwest of this second most important port in Sicily.

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Canadian and British "left hook" hurled across the Dittaino river and smashing through Regaluto, Centuripe and other points this week paved the way for the Catania triumph.

The epic siege of Catania began July 15 when a quick British onrush up the east coast reached the Primola bridge seven miles south of the city. A daredevil assault the preceding night by British parachute troops had prevented the enemy from demolishing this vital span.

The Germans rushed at least six parachute troop battalions to the sector for use as first-line infantry and diverted a considerable portion of their armor and artillery to hold off Montgomery. But cannily and skillfully, Montgomery explored the Catania plains for weaker points for 15 days while the general Allied offensive was prepared.

Catania represented the hardest and bloodiest victory of the entire campaign.

U. S. Forces Push ...
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studded waters by swarms of fighter-escorted bombers which dropped 45 tons of high explosives Wednesday.

Navy Corsairs saw to it that no aid for the tottering Munda garrison should be forthcoming from the north. They tore into the enemy base on Shortland island below Bougainville, destroying seven float planes, three barges and a small cargo ship.

The Japanese airforce, which lost 345 planes trying to stem the Solomon offensive during the first month, starting June 30, sent 18 Zeros against American positions on Rendova island, below Munda. Thirteen were shot down. We lost two. Rendova is the island from which our artillery has shelled Munda since the opening day of the current operations.

On New Guinea, where the Allied objective is Salamaua, sharp fighting was reported in progress five miles south of that enemy air base but today's communique said "forward ground elements" were involved, indicating skirmishing. Our attack planes and bombers were active in the Salamaua sector.

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Captain Anthony Hollub manned the top turret guns of his grounded plane to return the fire of the Jap air attack on Clark Field in the Philippines. Exposed to strafing planes, the New Mexico captain ran across the field for more ammunition when it was exhausted. He was ready to sacrifice his life to keep his guns blazing. How much can you invest in Payroll Savings to help heroic fighters like Hollub to keep firing?

Freak Tobacco Leaf From Craven Farm

Rufus V. Keel of Keel's warehouse today brought in a leaf from a tobacco plant on Andrew Murphy's farm in Craven county below New Bern that is unusual and different. Old-timers could not recall anything like it. The plant, instead of topping out with blossoms and seed had where the blossom grows a cone-shaped leaf that contained nearly a pint of water when taken from the plant. The leaf cured up satisfactorily with good color. It is now in the window at the Reflector office.

Russian Army ...

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Orel, which had a normal population of 91,000, had been fortified extensively with the hedge-hog system of defense since it was occupied by the German army on October 8, 1941. It is the hinge and key defense position of the long southern German line extending to the Sea of Azov, and its recapture would reopen vital railway lines linking the Ukraine with Moscow.

The Orel-Belgorod sector was used by the Germans as the springboard for their 1943 offensive, generally considered to be Hitler's final desperate effort to crash through south of Moscow and either take the Russian capital or force Russia's reserve armies into the great, decisive engagement of the western front.

But the Russian lines held, and on July 12 the Red army commanders threw hundreds of thousands of men and hundreds of tanks and planes into the counter offensive that culminated in the three-pronged crash into Orel.

(The Berlin radio's announcement did not state the extent of the German withdrawal, but the next position of importance is Bryansk, 80 miles to the west. The Germans had only one remaining rail link between Orel and Bryansk, and the Russian column advancing from the north already had been reported within 10 miles of that line, holding it well within artillery range.)

The Russians also reported new successes at Belgorod, 165 miles

from Orel, where they said they smashed ahead for gains up to six miles and improved their positions. Heavy German losses in manpower and equipment were reported there.

Artillery duels were reported on the Leningrad front, local engagements south of Lgum on the Donets river front, and reconnaissance activity northeast of Novorossisk in the last German-held Caucasus bridgehead.

At the same time a constant stream of ambassadors, ministers, apostolic nuncios and their diplomatics was reported flowing in and out of the foreign office in Rome, lending credence to the belief that some important development was in the offing.

The Lavora Italiano, taking a different tack than that of the past two days, when the press on orders from Premier Badoglio warned the Italian people that "the war must go on," today declared the sessions of the British cabinet held last Tuesday "have been interpreted in many capitals as a prelude to an eventual armistice."

The newspaper said the position of Italy and her allies was "very fluid and very dangerous" in a moment when "the voices of the diplomats should be raised."

"The problems of peace are more difficult than those of war—but that is exactly the reason that a solution should be attempted without threats of blackmail, which are contrary to the idea of a just peace for all peoples and all nations," Lavora Italiano asserted.

The Corriere Della Sera declared that thoughts of liberty and war dominated Italian minds today, adding that "many have awaited, during these unforgettable days, clearer words, and so are able to receive without excessive fear and without shame the thought of coming peace."

There was little news of disturbances in Italy today, but reports from frontier towns said that half-hour strikes were continuing in Milan and in factories in other in-

lan was reported to have ruled that officers not on active service would not be permitted to wear uniforms without special permission. The rule was promulgated, it was said, because Fascists who were officers in the Italian army had donned uniforms in their efforts to evade reports said.

The military commander in Mi-surveillance by the government.

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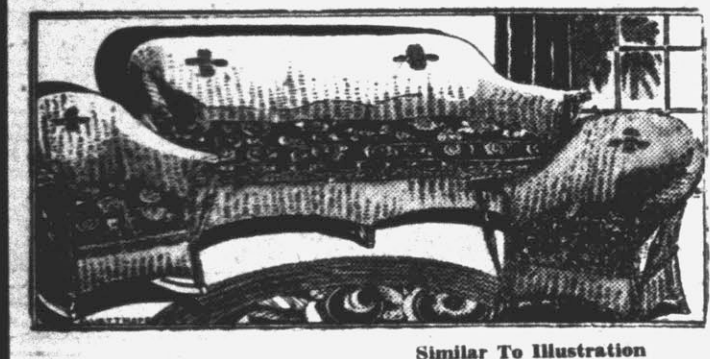
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