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In The Day's News

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EVEN in these war-time, war-jangled, war-jangled days, Washington (where this is written) isn't ALL solemn and serious and grim. It has its lighter side.

This lighter side is apt to show through at the lunch hour.

TRAVEL in Washington—where the battle for transportation to get here, for a place to eat and sleep while here and for transportation to get away again is one that has few dulls—is a subject that interests everybody. To an extent, it grips everybody. It certainly occupies a lot of everybody's time.

So it is only natural that a large crop of travel tales, some of them apocryphal and some of them genuine, should grow up.

These stories are apt to come out when men get together at noon for lunch.

THERE are coming to be two general classes of travelers in Washington—the one-suit men and the two-suit men. Each class has its advantages. The one-suit man travels light and avoids a lot of grief. The two-suit man is apt to be a little less baggy at the knees when he shows up at an important conference.

But both have their troubles.

A two-suit, so the story goes, arrived the other morning and as soon as he got settled at his hotel called up the tailor shop, sent out the travel-worn garments he was wearing and got out his other suit to wear to an important meeting at which he was due in an hour.

He changed his shirt and put on a fresh necktie, rubbed his shoes with a hotel towel and generally prettied himself up before putting on his pants.

So far so good. But when he put on his pants and pulled up the zipper the tail of his shirt caught in two places in the zipper teeth, and try as he would he could get no farther. He finally called the desk and the clerk sent up the house handy-man, but no soap. The zipper teeth clung like a bulldog's, and in trying to get them loose

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Coal Output In England Down To Trickle In Strike

LONDON, Mar. 8.—(AP)—The flow of coal from Welsh mines on which British war industries are largely dependent dwindled to a trickle today as a wage strike spread steadily throughout the area and there were indications that production might be halted entirely by nightfall.

Best estimates said that 60,000 or 70,000 out of 100,000 miners in the Welsh fields already had walked out.

With the situation hourly growing worse, the nation looked hopefully to a meeting of owners and miners in London this afternoon to produce some solution for the wage problem, which the miners say needs a general overhauling.

More miners were walking out hourly, and the loss in daily production was estimated at 60,000 tons.

The strikes began as a slow-down several weeks ago, then mushroomed to serious proportions this week as dissatisfaction spread over a decision boosting the weekly wage from \$16.75 to \$20, but not providing an increase in piece rates.

The Welsh fields, which embrace part of Monmouthshire, produce more than one-sixth of the nation's coal. So far other areas have not been affected.

Victory of Anti-New Dealer In Colorado Elates G. I. O. P.

Tide Turning Against Demos Heads Declare

Republican Elected to Congress Over War Hero In Political Reversal

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8.—(AP)—National republican leaders hailed jubilantly today the victory of Dean M. Gillespie, their party's candidate, in a special Colorado congressional election.

"That the American people are through with the new deal was evidenced again yesterday in the Denver election in the unmistakable language of votes," asserted Rep. Charles A. Halleck of Indiana, chairman of the national republican congressional committee.

Harrison E. Spangler, republican national chairman, said, "We have forecast before that the nominee of the republican national convention will be the next president of the United States, and on a basis of the recent election returns in Colorado and New York I repeat that statement."

A democratic spokesman made no effort to minimize his party's loss, but said the local factors involved in the contest made it difficult to detect a general trend. Speaking for the house democratic campaign committee, Victor Hunt Harding, the committee's executive secretary, added that the heavy vote was encouraging and that it showed the people are thinking rather than letting elections "go by default."

Spangler's statement continued: "What else can we read into the continued and constant voting of the American people for republican candidates and against the new deal whenever they get a ballot in their hands? Starting in 1942 and moving to the two recent special congressional elections, there has been a tide against the new deal such as has seldom been seen in American elections."

"The new deal was barely able to carry a Tammany district in New York, and in Colorado it lost a congressional seat that had not gone republican since 1930. Yesterday also republicans won every major local office in Watertown, Mass., for the first time since 1932."

Halleck's statement asserted that the people "have struck at the new deal and its sponsors in these special elections again and again, whenever and wherever they have had the opportunity."

The issue, the same everywhere, was never more clearly

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2 Prineville Men Shot In Clash Over Rent

PRINEVILLE, Ore., March 8.—(AP)—Sidney J. Elms, 51, lay near death today and Joseph Mason, 45, real estate broker, was hospitalized with a stomach wound as the result of a double shooting.

Police Officer C. E. Crosswhite said Mason told him he had gone to Elms' apartment yesterday and asked Elms to pay his rent or move. Then Elms drew a pistol and shot him, he said.

Crosswhite saw Mason staggering up the street, supported by a screaming boy, and ran to Elms' apartment. He heard a shot, chopped down the back door and found Elms on the floor with a bullet wound in his head.

CIO Wins Election of Smith River Loggers

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8.—(AP)—The CIO International Woodworkers of America was certified today as bargaining agent for Smith River loggers of the Woolley Logging company, Drain, Ore.

Hitler's Nephew Joins U. S. Navy



William Patrick Hitler (left), 32-year-old English-born nephew of Adolf Hitler, is sworn into the navy by Lt. (jg) Christian Christofferson, USN, at New York navy recruiting station. His father, a half-brother of the Nazi leader, married an English woman.

Recreation Area Plan Backed By C. of C. Directors

Looking forward to the time when tourist business will represent a major source of income to Douglas county, the directors of the Roseburg chamber of commerce, at their regular business session Tuesday night, endorsed a plan for creation of a Douglas county recreational district. The plan, conceived at Reedsport, is proposed to provide a means of control and development of recreational sites together with a program of conservation of fish and game. The project was initiated by the Reedsport chamber of commerce and is now under consideration by the Roseburg Rod and Gun club.

The directors authorized the secretary to lend full cooperation in the organization and operation of a unit of the civil air patrol. Formation of a unit at Roseburg is under consideration.

Vice President Marshall Pennington was appointed chairman of an objectives committee. Other members of the committee are Kenneth Ford, Henry Carstens and Harrie W. Booth. The responsibility of preparing a budget for the year will be in the hands of a committee headed by Morgan Lawson, who will be assisted by Herbert Lenz, E. E. Boring and Charles Emery.

Rose School Students Report on Bond Sales

Students at the Rose school in Roseburg sold \$4,296.30 worth of bonds and stamps during the Fourth War Loan campaign, it was reported today. Student salesmen turned in 62 applications for bond purchases. During the last two days of the drive, the students in the sixth grade sold \$2,650 worth of bonds and disposed of stamps amounting to \$99.75.

Two Spectators Die at Irish Football Game

DUBLIN, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Clongowe and Blackrock met in a football game today. Clongowe scored and faculty member, Father Charles Barrett, collapsed and died.

In the closing minutes of play, with Clongowe still leading, J. P. Dorna, father of a Blackrock player, also collapsed and died. Clongowe won the bitterly fought contest.

March War Bond Quota \$129,000 for Douglas County

Douglas county's quota of war bonds for the month of March has been set at \$129,000. H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the county war finance committee, has been informed. The committee is planning no special bond selling effort this month, to avoid conflict with the Red Cross War Fund campaign. Voluntary cooperation of bond buyers will be necessary if the quota is to be raised, Pargeter said, and he is urging that bond purchases be maintained in order that the county maintain its record.

PORTLAND, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Oregon took third place in the nation in sales of Fourth War Loan bonds to individuals, E. C. Sammons, state chairman, reported today from Washington, D. C. Oregon obtained 132 per cent of its quota, compared to 141 per cent for Florida and 134 for North Dakota.

Sammons said final tabulations of sales of all issues gave Oregon a total of \$128,621,511 or 129.9 per cent of quota.

Plane's Bullets Nearly Hit Teacher, Janitor

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., Mar. 8.—(AP)—An army plane is reported to have fired machine gun bullets into a desert schoolhouse and turkey pens on a nearby ranch, says Sheriff E. L. Shay.

The officer disclosed yesterday that a rancher, L. L. Ebelin, had brought him a 50-millimeter bullet which Ebelin declared had penetrated the school roof, narrowly missing Virginia Woodruff, a teacher, and James Shrouff, janitor.

Shay said he had asked military officials to investigate.

Subsidy Hike Expected To Keep Down Milk Price

PORTLAND, March 8.—(AP)—Increased subsidies to Oregon dairymen have reduced prospects of further general increases in retail milk prices, says Earl C. Hald of the district OPA.

The War Food administration's new uniform schedule of 60 cents per hundredweight, inaugurated March 4, also should result in increased milk production, he said.

Warsaw Rail Line Seized in Reds' Advance

Bad Weather, Stronger Nazi Defense Fail to Halt Drive to Rumania

MOSCOW, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Marshal Zhukov's first Ukrainian army fought today against some of the worst ground conditions of the Russian-German conflict and what a Red Star front-line reporter called the "growing resistance of the enemy."

But still the Red army rolled on, seizing a firm hold on the Odessa-Warsaw railway and moving to within 70 miles of the important industrial and rail city of Lwow.

In this battle of mud, the Russians resorted to the use of long lines of sledges hitched behind tanks. Tommy-guns were piled into the sledges and tanks, which cut through the muddy Ukrainian fields to reach the roads behind the enemy lines.

On top of the warmest winter in many years, a sudden spring thaw had turned the rolling steppe country of the Ukraine into thousands of square miles of very heavy, sticky mud.

Zhukov's progress is still steady, dispatches said, and with his communications firmly established, he is believed strong enough to press home his offensive towards Lwow and Rumania.

Railway Line Severed. Russian spearheads yesterday captured the town of Igrovitsa, nine miles northwest of Tarnopol and only four miles from the Warsaw railway, a Russian communique announced. Other forces operating east of Tarnopol actually severed the line in places 20 miles apart.

Yesterday's advance by the forces under Zhukov liberated 200 more localities in the densely populated western Ukrainian country, Moscow announced. The Germans hurled strong infantry and tank forces against the Red army, but were hurled back, leaving more than 1,000 dead on the battlefield, the Russians said. Numerous pieces of war equipment, including 60 tanks, were destroyed or captured and many prisoners taken, the soviet bulletin added. Russian troops are

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Youths Paroled in Riot Of Zoot Suit Character

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Mar. 8.—(AP)—District Judge Albert R. Kool has paroled 24 youths arrested over the weekend in "zoot suit" disturbances with a warning to obey the laws and not "try to take the law into your own hands."

The youths were chiefly those whom authorities said they took into custody Sunday night while cruising around in automobiles seeking revenge for beatings given four youths Friday night at the opening of a commercial teen age canteen.

Ten other youths, alleged to have taken part in the canteen disturbances, still were held in county jail.

U. S. Air Ace Sacrifices Own Life To Save Civilians From Crashing Plane

A U. S. FIGHTER BASE, England, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Lt. Charles F. Gumm, Jr., a fighter ace who was the first Mustang pilot to shoot down an enemy plane over Europe, died a hero's death eight days ago to save civilians from his crashing plane, it was disclosed today.

The story of his heroism in refusing to parachute from a plane which would have fallen in the English town of Nayland was told by Canon W. L. Wright of St. James vicarage in Nayland, who came to this base to tell the pilot's buddies that the townspeople were deeply touched by his sacrifice.

He said many persons saw Gumm's plane falling toward the village, when an engine of his fighter failed during a test flight. There was no doubt in their minds, he said, that Gumm could have bailed out safely, but the plane would have crashed into houses.

Mopping-Up Of Japs Goes On Steadily

Los Negros Isle Control Gained, Fresh Advances On Other Bases Made

(By the Associated Press)

Sixth army troops in the Southwest Pacific are filling in the details implied by Gen. MacArthur's statement a week ago, that "the end of the Bismarck campaign is now clearly in sight."

Today's allied communique reported Sixth army units have gained control of Los Negros island in the Admiralty group, have leap-frogged up the north coast of New Britain to within 170 air-line miles of Rabaul and have driven up the south coast of New Britain to within 50 air-line miles of Gasmata.

Covered by an air umbrella but not by naval bombardment, First division marines attached to Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth army swarmed ashore Monday at Willaumez peninsula on New Britain's north coast and immediately drove toward Talasea, five miles distant, where the Japanese once had an emergency landing strip. Rifle fire was the only opposition to the landing.

Sixth army infantrymen who landed at Arawe on New Britain's south coast Dec. 15 launched an offensive which has carried them 24 miles up the coast toward Gasmata, once-important Japanese supply and emergency air base.

Momote airfield, quickly won prize of the Admiralty islands invasion Feb. 29, has been repaired and now is ready for full-scale use by American planes, MacArthur communique.

Liberator bombers split through intense anti-aircraft fire to unload 98 tons of explosives on Rabaul Sunday. Other planes supported ground action on New Britain and Los Negros island and hit Japanese forces opposing American positions on Bougainville in the Solomons with 110 tons of bombs.

Surma Trap Closing

Jaws of a trap set by U. S. infantrymen and American-trained Chinese troops are closing rapidly on enemy forces in Burma's Hukawng valley. Japan's communication lines have been severed.

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Death Notice Trails Party for War Hero

NEW YORK, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Julius Katz swelled his chest in pride. His brother, Corp. Werner Katz, 23, had been described in the newspapers as a hero—the first to kill a Japanese in the American thrust into northern Burma.

Julius, who came to this country with his brother from Germany five years ago, gave a party to celebrate Werner's exploit.

The party had ended only a short while when a telegram arrived from the war department. Corporal Katz had been killed in action the day he had become a hero.

Wac-Wac is Wac



Aptly-named Nancy Wac, Yakima Indian princess, is pictured filling out Wac enlistment application blank at Seattle, Wash. She's a great-granddaughter of Chief Kai-Mi-Akim, for whom a Flying Fortress recently was named.

Furious Combat Rages at Cassino; Toulon is Raided

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Gunfire, mortar and grenade duels raged for the second straight night in shell-torn Cassino on the main Fifth army front, headquarters announced today, and observers have spotted movements behind the German lines below Rome, possibly indicating a regrouping for a fourth all-out push against the allied beachhead.

New Zealand siege guns hammered at a German-held rail station about a mile south of Cassino while American troops west of Cassino on the beachhead engaged in a fierce machinegun and mortar duel with the nazis, but there was no change in positions. The Germans made a concerted but futile effort to infiltrate British positions near Carroceto, on the Rome side of the beachhead.

Foul weather continued to hamper the ground fighting and the communique declared that "heavy snow in the mountains and deep mud in the valleys have made all movements difficult."

Toulon Base Raided Allied bombers yesterday blasted the Toulon naval base in Southern France and struck at rail yards in Rome. Five nazi planes were destroyed for a loss of five allied craft.

Photographs of the Toulon raid showed hits in the munitions factory area and several hits on the drydocks. War vessels anchored along a jetty were believed to have been damaged.

Twenty-five enemy fighters tried to intercept the Fortresses and their escorting Lightnings 10 minutes from the target. Four nazi planes were downed in the battle, and none of the American ships was lost.

The day's operations included raids on rail facilities in the Florence region and on airfields north of Rome. The Rome radio said heavy damage and casualties had been caused in Rome and asserted that a church and an orphanage had been hit.

Mayor Gage Tops Vote In Kansas City Primary

KANSAS CITY, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Mayor John B. Gage received a vote of 34,344 to 26,382 for A. J. Stephens, leading the non-partisan citizens' ticket, in an impressive showing over the old Pendergast democratic organization in the city primary election yesterday.

The democratic ticket showed strength only in its first district stronghold, where Councilman Sheridan E. Farrell led Helen E. Tempelman, the citizen's candidate, 6,052 to 4,881.

Few contests were offered in the primary. Mayor Gage conceded the real fight would be in the election March 28.

Air Battles Over Border Area Follow

RAF Blasts Railroad Junction, War Industry City of Lemans, France

LONDON, Mar. 8.—(AP)—First reports from the American bombing raid on Berlin today, possibly by 1,100 planes, said that huge fires were set and that at least 30 German planes were shot down.

Light clouds which covered the bombers most of the way to Berlin opened up over the city to disclose the targets.

LONDON, Mar. 8.—(AP)—Strong forces of U. S. bombers attacked Berlin today for the third American attack in a week against the German capital.

The Liberator and Fortress formations bombed Berlin with more than 350,000 incendiary bombs and 10,000 explosive bombs.

It was the American bombers' eighth big assault in ten days, and came after only one day's interval since the last heavy attack on the German capital.

The German radio said that the bombers came over in "seven main formations" under heavy escort, and that "pitched air battles developed over border territories."

The aerial combat started about 1 p. m. said the radio, about half an hour after the American armada crossed the German frontier. At mid-morning German radio stations had blacked out to avoid giving the invaders directional bearings.

The attack kept the allies' round-the-clock bombing campaign going uninterrupted after the RAF's second successive night attack on nazi railroad centers in France.

During the day U. S. Marauder bombers joined in the attack on the continent, flying into Holland. They struck unspecified targets in an area where many German air fields have been bombed in the past.

Rail Yards Blasted

A few hours earlier RAF bombers returned from a heavy attack against railroad yards at Lemans, 110 miles southwest of Paris. The

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Bandits Kill Cop In Holdup Effort In Oakland, Calif.

EMERYVILLE, Calif., Mar. 8.—(AP)—A pair of masked gunmen, one of whom held a sub-machine gun, killed a special patrolman, wounded one member of a crowd of 30 and escaped into nearby Oakland in a commandeered taxi cab early today after an attempted holdup of a bar adjacent to the Oakland Baseball club's home field.

Police Chief L. H. Mann reported that Patrolman George Haas, 62, died in Highland, Ala. county, hospital from three machine gun bullet wounds in the chest, suffered when he attempted to shoot it out with the gunmen.

Mann told this story of the slaying: The gunmen, each wearing a black cloth across the lower part of his face, walked into the bar. One brandished a sub-machine gun while the other, wielding a pistol, ordered those in the room to "put up your hands."

"Aw, he won't shoot," one of the men said. The remark brought a fusillade from the machine gunner, who aimed from the hip over the head of the crowd. A bullet struck the left wrist of Cecil Walker, 35, Oakland.

The gunmen forced cab driver Anthony De Avila out the door to his taxi. Patrolman Haas, standing on the corner sidewalk, drew his pistol but fell mortally wounded under a hail of bullets from the machinegunner.

Levity Fast Rant
By L. F. Rasmussen

Italian Premier Badoglio, waiting because the allies propose to convert the surrendered Italian navy from an ornamental role to one of active participation in the war against Hitler, may have become a conscientious objector. Or perhaps he prefers to wait until the allies have freed Italy and then deliver a stab in the back to Germany.