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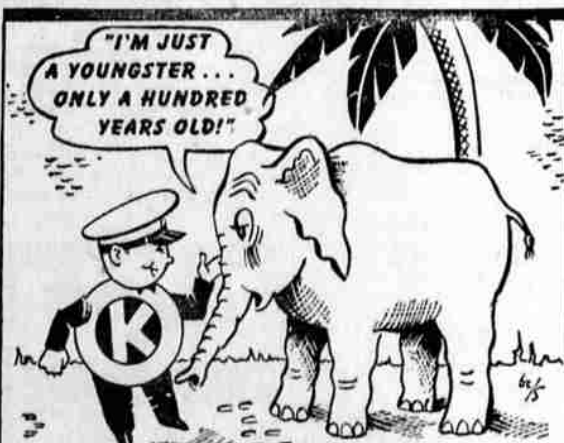


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Income Tax Foe Sweetheart of Nazi, House Told

WASHINGTON, April 1—(AP)—Rep. Coffee (D-Wash.) told the house yesterday that Miss Vivian Kellems, Westport, Conn., business woman who recently advised business men not to pay their income taxes, was the sweetheart of a nazi agent named Count Karl von Zedlitz in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

He described Miss Kellems in a floor speech as "a menace to the American war effort."

Coffee read excerpts from telegrams and letters which he said had been exchanged between the two and asserted he had in his possession a letter from Miss Kellems to von Zedlitz signed: "All my love sweetheart, Vivian."

"I say that Vivian Kellems is a menace to the American war effort," Coffee said. "This woman who is in constant touch with our hated nazi enemies... admits by her own statements, that right now in Connecticut, she is engaged in (manufacturing) work for the armed forces of a highly restricted and confidential nature and that she has in her desk blue prints, drawings and specifications of inestimable value to the enemy."

"I say to you, Mr. Speaker, that it is high time the justice department puts an end to the incredible conspiracy."

TORONTO, April 1—(AP)—

Vivian Kellems, Westport, Conn., war contractor, today challenged Rep. Coffee (D-Wash.) to make outside congress his charges that she is the sweetheart of a nazi agent in Argentina and is a "menace to the American war effort."

In a 500-word statement replying to charges Coffee made on the house floor yesterday in Washington, Miss Kellems dared him "to make those same statements outside where I can hale you into court, force you to prove them, or put you in prison where you belong."

Information Padlock Put on British Isles

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continued "for operational reasons." Travelers thus face the prospect of being stranded when communications lines are clear for troops and war material.

As a further means of preventing the leakage of information the British have banned airmail to all neutral countries.

Swiss Area Bombed

American Liberator bombers began a new month of operations with an attack on southwestern Germany today, U. S. headquarters announced.

Simultaneously with the American announcement, a Swiss government communiqué said that American bombers had loosed incendiaries on the railway city of Schaffhausen, near the German border, setting numerous fires.

In what apparently was a mistake bombing of neutral territory, the broadcast Swiss communiqué said about 30 American planes had loosed the fire bombs.

A later statement from the director of Swiss railways said that all rail lines leading into Schaffhausen had been "suspended temporarily."

Coastal watchers said a "considerable force" of allied planes began streaking out across the channel early today shortly after RAF Mosquitos returned from raids on western Germany last night without loss.

The German radio system quickly went off the air after announcing the planes had penetrated into the middle Rhine area.

Despite Thursday night's record loss of 94 planes by the RAF, announcements last night showed that March remained a month of victory for British and American air power. The bombers and their fighter escort destroyed at least 734 enemy aircraft.

The month's American losses totaled 293 bombers and 134 fighters. Including the Thursday night loss, 279 British planes failed to return.

BERN, Switzerland, April 1—(AP)—American bombers destroyed a large part of the historical Swiss city of Schaffhausen, killed 30 to 50 persons and wounded 100 more in a shower of bombs this morning, the Neue Zuercher Zeitung declared, quoting eye-witnesses.

(Schaffhausen is in northern Switzerland on the Rhine river, just below the German border, and apparently was bombed by mistake.)

The first eyewitness report said the industrial town of 20,000 population was a scene of destruction and horror with the entire populace working madly to dig victims from the ruins, and fighting fires that still were blazing.

Robleta Wallops Dolan In Portland Battle

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1—(AP)—Joe Robleta, Mexican fighter from Pasadena, Calif., made his bow in the featherweight class last night by pounding out a 10-round decision over Joey Dolan, Portland. Both weighed 123.

The former bantamweight floored the clever Portland shipyard worker three times for counts of 9, 8 and 9 and left him with one eye closed.

Beau Jack Decisions Zurita in Ten Rounder

NEW YORK, April 1—(AP)—Beau Jack last night pounded out a 10-round decision over Juan Zurita of Mexico City, the NBA's lightweight champion.

The clever Zurita made Jack miss plenty of punches, but the Georgian whittled out the verdict by having much the better of the infighting, and by forcing the action all the way in the over-weight, non-title scrap. Jack weighed 136, Zurita 133.

Ashland High Coach Engaged by Medford

MEDFORD, Ore., April 1—Head Coach Al Simpson of Ashland high school Friday was hired to a similar post at neighboring Medford high school. It was announced by Medford School Superintendent E. H. Hedrick.

Mrs. D. Y. Allison Dies in Roseburg

Mrs. Garnet S. Allison, 63, wife of D. Y. Allison, died at her home in Roseburg Friday, following a short illness. She was born in Roseburg, January 26, 1881, the daughter of Mark A. and Frances McKinney Jones, pioneer settlers in Douglas county.

For the past 20 years Mrs. Allison operated a beauty parlor. She was a member of the Eastern Star lodge, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, and was active in the work of the American Red Cross.

Surviving are her husband, a retired railroad employee; a son, A. D. Allison, Portland; a daughter, Mrs. Rodney Knott, Winchester; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Wallace, Astoria, and Mrs. Mary Cotton, Roseburg; two granddaughters, and a great-grandson.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday with interment following in the Masonic cemetery.

Monthly Singspiration Set at Methodist Church

The monthly Singspiration will be held in the Methodist church Sunday evening, April 2 at 6:30, led by Tillman Houser.

Leaders from each church will direct the group in several songs and choruses. Songs have been chosen in keeping with the Easter spirit.

Mrs. Gertrude Bales Dies On Visit in California

Word has been received here from Modesto, Calif., that Mrs. Gertrude Bales, 65, of Roseburg, died there late Tuesday. She suffered a heart attack while seated in a parked automobile. She had been visiting a sister-in-law, Mrs. Ray Dittman, since December.

Nazi Defense Cracking Before Russian Smash

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as operating on a broad front in Old Poland.

A Vichy broadcast said the Russians have made considerable gains and that the pressure on last was "serious." Moscow has not admitted a crossing over the Prut river into Rumania.

Free Methodists Will Hear Conference Supt.

Rev. D. L. Fenwick, conference superintendent, will be the speaker at the West Side Free Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:45. Communion will be observed after which Rev. Mr. Fenwick will bring the message.

German Prisoner Camp Searched for Lost Guns

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An investigation and to the recapture of six German fugitives. The tunnel was dug with crude implements.

Japs Now Within 12 Miles of Imphal Base

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tacks were giving "ample evidence of the delay and loss they are causing the enemy."

Auchinleck said the Japanese were fighting for a quick decision before the monsoon, attempting to establish themselves in the Imphal-Hokima area and "strike out at rail and river communications leading from Calcutta along the Brahmaputra into northeastern Assam."

BATTERING OF TRUK BY AIR FORCE CONTINUES

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, April 1—(AP)—American naval task forces, including some of the more than 50 aircraft carriers

just disclosed to be prowling the Pacific, were protected today by a radio silence which prevented reports of the devastation wrought on Palau, Japanese sea base guarding the approaches to the Philippines.

But more reports came of supporting air blows being rained on Truk, boldly bypassed by the fleet which moved 1,175 miles west of it to open the assault on Palau Wednesday.

Admiral Nimitz, whose last word concerning the Palau operation was that "our attacks continue," announced yesterday that five island strongpoints of Truk's atoll were pounded Wednesday night by army Liberators of the Seventh air force.

This was the second raid on Truk in as many days from central Pacific bases, occupying that air and naval base in the heart of the Carolines while the task forces went after Palau on the western fringes of those islands. Truk also has undergone two attacks by Liberators from the Solomons, marking the opening of a two-way strike at that bastion.

Admiral Nimitz said that the Wednesday night raiders, in the face of moderate anti-aircraft opposition, touched off heavy explosions at Truk.

(At Chicago, Navy Secretary

Knox said yesterday "it is not also observed that in the vast reaches of the Pacific 'we go today more than 50 aircraft carriers are plying the Pacific.' He where we please and dare the enemy to come.")

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An AAF Report on the Aviation Cadet Program

Thanks to the young men of America, the AAF is seizing air supremacy in every theatre, faster than we ever planned or even dared to hope.

Thanks to youth's eagerness to serve, the AAF has grown in a remarkably short time from a mere handful of men into the largest, most powerful air force in the world.

Thanks to the fitness and alertness of these young men, they have learned their job so quickly that we have been able to throw our great airplane production into effective combat quicker than we believed possible. Due to their daring and skill we are destroying the enemy with less loss to our own forces than we anticipated.

All air crew men must have the irresistible desire to fly. Every such flying man in the AAF is there on his own initiative... in response to our invitation to fly and fight with "The Greatest Team in the World." Hundreds of thousands have thronged to our Aviation Cadet Examining Boards in response to this appeal. Thousands are continuing to volunteer... for active duty... and for the 17-year-old Air Corps Enlisted Reserve.

Our gratitude to the young men of America, and to their parents, friends and associates... is without bounds. We should like to welcome on our team any qualified

young man who wishes to join. But there are other considerations... a balanced attack must be maintained.

Since last July the Selective Service process had not yielded enough men for all phases of the military program. Other branches of the army urgently need men for currently pending operations.

The AAF is ahead of schedule. It has sufficient men in training and in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve to meet its present schedule for combat crews. It must therefore balance this activity with immediate over-all needs.

As General Marshall has announced, the AAF has returned to their former commands some 36,000 men who had recently volunteered for air crew training from the ground and service forces. Moreover, until further notice, the AAF will not take any men into active duty from civilian life for air crew training. Also, further enrollment in the 17-year-old Air Corps Enlisted Reserve has been temporarily suspended.

The future of America depends upon the fitness of our young men. All of the armed services need young men who are physically fit, mentally alert and well educated for the exacting demands of modern war.

The AAF urges every man approaching

military age to prepare himself physically and mentally for his possible contribution to the defeat of our enemies and for his responsibilities in the post-war world.

We suggest, among other things, the physical training and other preparatory courses of the High School Victory Corps which are recommended for the various armed services, and the physical and pre-aviation training given to CAP Cadets by the nation-wide organization of the Civil Air Patrol, an auxiliary of the Army Air Forces.

The AAF current training program will, of course, continue. All men now enrolled in the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve will start their training after they become 18 as originally planned. And we will soon again take young men of 17 into the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve.

Meanwhile, in recognition of the overwhelming public support given the AAF, we shall continue to report developments—so that when we invite further active enrollment on our flying team, the nation will be familiar with our activities and the vital nature of our needs.

H. H. Arnold
Commanding General, U. S. Army Air Forces

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