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New Tax Plan Is Explained By Committee

RETURNS ELIMINATED

Filing Is Done Away With For About 30,000,000 Persons In U. S.

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- (F)-Responding to a national outcry against the recent siege of decimal itters, the House Ways and Means Committee approved today a farreaching plan to simplify the tax statutes, relieving some 30,000,000 of the 50,000,000 taxpayers of the necessity of ever computing another income tax return.

Beginning next January 1, if the bill is enacted the present withholding system against wages and salaries will be revised to deduct the full tax liability for persons earning up to \$5,000.

There will be no change in amounts held out of pay envelopes and salary checks this year, but the government itself will compute the taxes on 1944 income for those with wages and salaries under \$5,-

The victory tax is abolished and broad changes are made in the normal and surtax exemptions and rates, with a new normal rate of 3 percent (present normal 6 per cent) to apply to all persons making over \$55. Some 150,000 new taxpayers will be added.

with income over \$500 would be the last two years.

The 150,000 new taxpayers would ries his programs. be picked up from persons earning between \$55 and \$624.

However, Ways and Means chair- not been decided. man Doughton said there would be In New York, Philip W. Lennen no substantial change in the bur- president of Lennen and Mitchell, den on any taxpayer, declaring Inc., advertising agent for the "nobody will be hurt much or help- Jergens Company, tonight invited ed much" as to the actual amount Dies to follow Winchell on a Blue

sufficiently large to come under speak during Winchell's allotted If Ceiling Is To Be Changthe present income levies will be- air time.

Of the 20,000,000 who still must benefit of the entire Winchell audifile returns, the committee said ence." tax, and the remaining 10,000,000 Winchell" When he was informed will fill out returns in more detail of the committee's action. but will be provided a simpler reunder the new withholding taxes, papers." he may file a return each March

the current statutes. "The new plan will provide a real short-cut for about 30 million Wage and salary earners," a for mal statement said.

'All those earning up to \$5,000 payers will list their dependents on the extensive drive for \$75,000, the reverse side of this receipt which gets under way in Wilming-tration quarters is that Congress Women's Reserve. and enter the amount of "other ton Monday. income," if any.

taxpayer for additional payment or

tax table to determine their tax. 25 cents a month." Even for the taxpayers who cannot use the tax table, the new form Will be simpler than the present

Only A Few Men Under 26 Indispensable, FR Claims

WASHINGTON, March 17.—(P)— vices and production officials ov-President Roosevelt, saying there or the approximately 250.000 men pensable to industry, indicated to- ferments.

that age must be drafted.

eer an intense behind-the-scenes ig-of-war between the armed ser- (Continued on Page Three; Col. 4)

the manpower question under stularge a number of deferments of

Carrier Guns Silence Jap Bomber



U. S. Navy aircraft carriers carry a defensive as well as of tensive punch when the need arises. This picture taken from one of the flat-tops shows smoke arising from the spot where the enemy bomber fell. This took place during a recent raid on the Marianas, in the Pacific. (International)

Dies Committee Orders Walter Winchell Probed

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- (AP)-A feud between Walter Winchell, radio commentator and newspaper col- er town of Yampol. Also reported umnist, and members of Congress who claim he is attempting to "smear" them, boiled to a climax today as the Dies Committee ordered an investigation of Winchell's broadcasts for the last two years.

With Green Carnation

WASHINGTON, March 17 .-

(A)-President Roosevelt was

togged out today in a green

tweed suit, with a green car-

He was wearing a green and

white striped tie, too, in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day and

on his desk were numerous

reminders of the occasion, in-

cluding a flower bowl of sham-

U.S. TO MAINTAIN

ed, Congress Will Have

To Do It

WASHINGTON. March 17 .- (R)-

on high authority today to have

decided to maintain the "Little

pressure from labor organizations

If the formula is to be aban-

doned and wage ceilings lifted, a

high official said, Congress will

-the Executive Department will

this. It was said to be determined

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striving to give you better service. If you should miss your Star please call Star-News office before 9 a. m. and

one will be sent you by

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at a wholesale rate and sells

them retail to his subscribers.

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isfied if he makes the maxi-

mum amount from his route. Please have his money ready when he calls to collect on Sat-

special messenger.

for easing of wage controls.

nation in the lapel.

Chairman Dies (D-Tex.), who *has excoriated the commentator in several recent House speeches, an- FR Wears Green Suit nounced that the committee on un-American activities has issued a plained that under the new normal subpoena for scripts and recordtax the exemption for any person ings of Winchell's programs for

only \$500 plus 10 per cent of this He added that a thorough inincome, regardless of whether he vestigation of Winchell's programs is married or the number of his probably would require the apdependents, just as the 3 per cent pearance of about thirty witness-victory tax now is levied against es, including officials of the Jerpersons making over \$624 regard-less of family status. gens Company, Winchell's sponsor, and the Blue Network, which car-

> Whether Winchell himself will be subpoenaed, the Texan said, has

Network broadcast March 19 or Some 9,000,000 now paying vic- March 26. The invitation was in tory taxes but with earnings not response to a request by Dies to

come regular income taxpayers, Mark Woods, president of the paying rates about equivalent to Blue Network, corroborated the intheir present victory tax burdens, vitation in a telegram to Dies and said "that period will give you the

10.000,000 can use a simple tax At Miami Beach, Winchell detable which will show their entire manded "Why don't they supboena

"I have repeatedly asked to be turn than the present long form. called before the committee, or If any taxpayer in the class un- any Congressional group, to tell der \$5,000 wishes to claim larger them things I am not permitted to deductions than those computed say on the radio or in the news-

15, as he now does and pay the same tax as he is liable for under RED CROSS DRIVE

The Business division of the Red copy of a withholding receipt, Campaign headquarters in the Tide furnished by the employer, in place Water building, and plans were

Mr. O'Crowley spoke to the group on their responsibility of the men and mail it to the local tax col- and women who cannot be on the they can be held in place. lector, without any payment. The fighting front, and said that "we collector will calculate the tax and cannot buck the Axis with a buck."

for the Red Cross is "out." The 20 million persons who will man, who has been called on time gress directed in this law that both and again for many civic activities, spoke briefly to those present their income from all sources is not the stabilization. If their income from all sources is not the stabilization for the stabilization their income from all sources is not sent, and insisted that 'any perover \$5,000 and their deductions sent, and insisted that any per Chairman william it. Bavis serve schools. are not over 10 per cent of income, the present time, can certainly fore the committee to oppose

He explained some of the acti-

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 4)

the stabilization act renewed un-NOTICE

are .ew men under 26 really indis- under 26 who have occupational deday he is leaning toward the Production officials have hoped to keep deferred some 40,000 to ly all physically fit men under 50,000 who they contend are key men in industry and vitally need-He told his press-radio confer- ed to maintain production. Milience, however, that he still has tary authorities contend that is too

dy, expects to work on it all weekend and probably will have a statement on it early next week.

For the past 10 days there has
beer an interest behind the scenes.

Manpower Chairman Paul V.
McNutt representing selective service, and Chairman Donald M.

outer fringe and had joined forces

As a result, Lt. Gen Mark W

ON MANUS TAKEN

Field In Admiralties Is

Captured In Quick Two-

Day U. S. Offensive

By LEONARD MILLIMAN

Associated Press War Editor

Lorengau airdrome has been

Solomons, General Douglas Mac-

The ten day enemy offensive on

around 2,500 and 2,000 miles.

Along the Central Pacific cor-

ridor, which Admiral Chester W.

outposts were announced.

FREIGHT RATES'

Arthur announced today.

leading to Rome.

ESTABLISHED 1867

Europe Is Dealt Double Blow, Vienna And Sofia Are Raided; Russian Armies Near Rumania

Offensive Through Old Poland

LONDON, March 17 .- (A) -The Russians reported tonight that the yards of the summit of Mt. Cas- by four direct hits from selfpro-Russians reported tonight that the yards of the summit of the part of the summit of the summit of the part of the part of the summit of the part o only 11 miles from the Dniester the southwestern outskirts of their sino shuddered under violent at- was before Wednesday's 2,500-ton River, pre-war border of Rumania, while to the northwest other troops lashed out in a new offensive west ward through old Poland, capturing Dubno, "an important strongpoint in German defenses," and Demidovka, 18 miles beyond.

The Moscow communique, re corded by the Soviet monitor, said the Russians had captured Klembovka, 11 miles north of the river and 12 miles from the former borcaptured was Olshanka, 14 miles southeast of Kelmbovka, and likewise 11 miles fro mthe winding riv er. Dlembovka is 30 miles southeast of Mogilev Podolski, another Hull Says Russia Didn't important Russian objective on the Dniester's banks.

The Russians also selzed the dis-trict center of Peschana 13 miles southeast of Olgapol and 16 miles from the Odessa-Zhmerinka trunk For St. Patrick's Day

Nearly 400 communities in pre-Ukraine were over-run by the Red army during the day, in general advances along the Nazis' crumbling southern front, said the Moscow communique, recorded by the by Secretary of State Hull at a Soviet monitor.

In their farthest thrust westward n the area where the Odessa In their farthest thrust westward in the area where the Odessa - 1. The United States was not SENATORS FAVOR

of the Dniester.

Captured Demidovka, 70 miles northeast of the historic city of assembling all the facts and cir-

Krizhopol, railroad station on the Odessa-Zhmerinka line which, with Petchanka, gave the Russians con-The administration was reported trol of a 32-mile sector of the rail-

Novo Ukrainka, a rail junction 38 miles southwest of Kirovograd, Steel" Formula despite increasing also was taken, the Russians said. inside the old Polish frontier, was give the Italian people full opporannounced by Premier Marshall tunity to choose their government Joseph Stalin earlier.

have to assume the responsibility CWAC DIRECTOR

Furthermore, this decision has been communicated to the War CAMP LEJEUNE, New River Labor Board whose members have been confronted with recent moves been confronted with recent moves have been made have the arrival temporary of Labor Board whose members have and receiving not more than \$100 Cross War Fund campaign, of by both AFL and CIO groups for here for the arrival tomorrow of the sources not subject to with which F. P. O'Crowley is chairom sources not subject to with- which F. P. O'Crowley is chair- action looking toward discarding or of Canadian Women's Army folding will be permitted to file man met Friday afternoon at the formula which limits general Corps, and Capt. Anna L. Neilson, wage increases to 15 per cent director of the organization in the regular return. These tax- laid for that group's participation above the level of January, 1941. Washington, D. C. They will be ac-The belief in highest adminis- companied by Col. Ruth Cheney the Department of Recreation held Streeter, director of Marine Corps at Hemenway school Friday from will not take the initiative in rais-

This will be the first visit of exhibits. ing wage ceilings and that hence Lt. Col. Eaton and Capt. Neilson Jesse Reynolds, Wilmington to a Marine base, where they are recreation director, announced the The question of Congressional to observe the women's activities. following prize winners: Woodaction to ease wage controls may Shortly after their arrival, Lt. craft—sigo; Moth and butterfly where necessary will either bill the explaining that the old settle-for-come up next week in hearings Col. Eaton is scheduled to take collection—Moody; China collection—where necessary will either bill the collection where necessary will be collected at the collection where necessary will be collected at the collection where the collecti a-dollar" manner of campaigning before the Senate Banking Com- the regular Saturday morning remittee on a bill to extend the view presented by approximately

Chairman William H. Davis of the Marine Corps Women's Re-

The visitors itinerary will include they can use the simple one-page give three, which only amounts to changing the sections dealing with observation trips to the amphibian base, parachute towers, and other While some legislators have training grounds for men Marines vities of the American Red Cross, talked of writing the Little Steel as well as the women post troops Formula into law, the administra- and school areas. tion was described as opposed to

Y 11 MILES AWAY Allies Slowly Fighting Their Way other Troops Lash Out In Into The Cassino Railway Station Continuous Assaults Smash ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, | fire from Nazis in the ruins of the | through the rubble to the town's

NAPLES, March 17- (A) -Allied ancient abbey on the crest. troops fought their way into Cas-sino railway station today and In-tanks moved into the battle this dian Churkas clawed within 100 afternoon and one was destroyed ing Mt. Cassino on the west. ravaged stronghold.

tack, but when night came the aerial bombardment virtually de-The railway station had chang- Nazis still clung to their caves, molished the Nazi fortress town ed hands frequently during the tunnels and dugouts and there was but a determined enemy still blasted Nazi communication points bloody two-months battle for Cas- a discernible feeling here that stood across the broad highway in France and Holland.

Bitter fighting raged on the slopes of Mt. Cassino, and Allied ing the Allied assault from the

troops there were under intense north had fought their way Seattle Printer Is U. S. STILL SOUR **TOWARD BADOGLIO**

Consult Us Before Taking Action

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- (R)-The Soviet government played a lone hand in giving diplomatic war Poland and the southwestern recognition to Marshal Pietro Badoglio's Italian regime and the United States is not even considering similar action.

These points were made clear

Zhmerinka trunk railway was consulted by the Soviet governcrossed the Russians captured the ment although about the time the town of Tomashpol, 32 miles east Italian announcement was made of the former border town of Mos-last week this country did have slev Podolski and 21 miles north some information as to what was

miles southeast of Vinnitsa, and ment in the first instance. Here the secretary implied an opinion that Russia should have worked

4. The question whether the Unitlead in recognizing the Badoglio regime is not arising.

The American policy is known The capture of Dubno, 27 miles to be based on commitments to as soon as the military situation will permit. Washington and London have agreed that not until Allied armies have freed Rome will such a condition arise and they are therefore giving the Badoglio regime limited support through military channels until that time.

The Hobby Show sponsored by

4-5:30 p.m. featured many unique

Organization activities: Girl Scout J. Q. LeGrand, general chair- life of the Stabilization Act. Con- 1000 women "boots" receiving six doll exhibit, first; Wrightsboro Axler, second, art; Billy McGlauwomen officers and members of han, first, pets; Jean Rabon, second, pets; Montague Dowdy, first, Army collection; Henry Vanderlith, second, coin collection,

The committee in charge of arrangements for the Hobby Show: Mesdames Goldburg, Fryer, Dowles, Rochelle, Triplett, Mc-

LORENGAU 'DROME Caught In Own Trap

they might not be routed soon.

New Zealand troops spearhead-

SEATTLE, March 17. -(A) -Bart Beard painted a yellow line on the curb in front of his print shop, and then applied for permission to reserve the space as a commercial vehicles zone.

His request was turned down. but the paint was already

A few days later he returned to his car, which he had left out in front, and found a tag for "parking in a prohibited

WASHINGTON, March 17 .- (AP)-Wrapping up in its 46 pages every tively small. northeast of the historic city of Lwow, is 42 miles inside the old Polish frontier at its closest point—the town of Shumsk.

Other towns announced captured normally would give attention to along the winding, flaming front in the south included Bratslav, 33 miles southeast of Vinnits and of the historic city of Lwow, is 42 miles inside the old cumstances involved.

3. The Allied advisory council the present war except a bonus, the only two air fields in the Admiralty islands which blockade west of Vichy, and an assault with miralty islands which blockade way today toward overwhelming Bismarck Sea Destroyers lying offshore, turned their guns on Japimetion between Paris and the Channel Coast which in 1914 was anese pillboxes and other fixed po-

Senator Johnson (D-Colo), one of the airdrome for the dismounted British troops landing at Boulogne, that Russia should have worked through the council although he sponsors of a pending \$30,-cavalrymen. Another column, 000,000,000 adjusted compensation pushing inland, was within 600 or bonus bill, told reporters he yards of the town of Lorengau, Britain-based bombers had plased States should follow Russia's would seek Finance Committee enemy headquarters for the island tere's transportation points behind hearings on that proposal after group. the amnibus measure had cleared Allie

> George (D-Ga) estimated maxi- Java, and Japanese installations stallations closer to the Atlantic mum benefits under the "G. I. bill on nearby Bali Island. The attacks wall to the west. at \$3.000,000,000 exclusive of a \$500,-000,000 authorization for construction of additional hospital facili-

will avail themselves of its bene-

erican Legion, are:

1. A year's educational or vo-1. A year's educational or vo-cational training for any man or cational training for any man or of the armed force with woman of the armed forces with tention of breaking the backbone six months service at a cost to of Japan's north Burma defense Monte Cassino Abbey, but the posithe government up to \$500 a year before the monsoons set in within tuition, \$50 a month subsistance the next six weeks. and \$25 a month for maintenance

of a veteran's wife 2. Unemployment compensation Nimitz has promised will be of \$15 a week for a maximum of turned into a seaway to the China 52 weeks for a two-year period. 3. \$500.000,000 for construction of ican bombers on Japanese island

additional hospital facilities. 4. Loans up to \$1,000 for the purchase of homes farms or small business, interest free for the first year, and carrying 3 per cent annual interest thereafter.

5. A veterans' placement board to steer former service people into jobs.
6. Designation of the Veterans

Administration as an essential war agency entitled to priorities on

this. It was said to be determined to uphold the formula but wants to uphold the formula but wants to uphold the formula but wants presidents told a House subcommittee today. Offensives To Clear The Philippines

Southwest Pacific, March 17.-(P) dential possibility. Promising one of the greatest The dinner commemorated the 'One of the greatest offensives offensives of the Pacific war to general's arrival in Australia ex- of the war will, at the appropriliberate the Philippines and adja- actly two years ago. It followed pose. With God's help it should vent discrimination between shipcent islands from the Japanese, his decoration by Lord Gowrie, be decisive not only of redemp-Gen. Douglas MacArthur tonight Governor of Australia, with the tion but of Japan's isolation from make a determination of all rates," Dunn, president of local No. 183 reiterated his pledge to the Fili- Grand Cross of the Order of the southern conquests and of Chinese Jeffers testified.

a professional military man, ignoring the American political situation in which he has been menthan our ultimate reconquest and

the Japanese nad phized meir way represents of per cent of their busisouthward almost to the shores of ness compared with three to four
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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, | tioned as a Republican presi- | liberation from the enemy of those and adjacent islands.

pino people to return and free Bath. The governor general rose restoration of Pacific ocean com-

Germany And Surrounding Nations

LONDON, March 17. - (AP) -Italian-based U S. Flying Forttargets in Vienna as Allied plates from Britain in continuous assaults

Tonight the Frankfurt radio sta-Making use of ruined buildings ion signed off suddenly in the middle of a program, usually an (Continued on Page Three; Col. 4) indication that RAF night bom-

bers are over the continent. In addition to the attack on Viennese targets medium bombers from Allied fields in southern Italy bombed Cacena, a vital railroad junction in northern end of

The strong force of American big bembers up from the south, escoried by Thunderbolts and Lightnings, found the Austrian capital blanketed by an overcast through which a heavy anti-aircraft fire was poured. There was no German fighter opposition, however. The Algiers radio said the

target was an aircraft factory. The Mediterranean air force also captured in a swift two-day offensive on Manus island in the struck northward into Europe by Admiralty group and thousands of night, hitting rail communications Japanese have been killed and at Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, for vounded in a tinal rout of their the second night in a row, employpersistent but hopeless attack on ing big RAF Halifax bombers for

Bougainville island of the northern the first time from this theater. Frem Britain American Marauders joined in the growing bombardment of German lines of communi-Bougainville completely broke cation in northern France with a down Tuesday night, MacArthur said. Over 1,100 of his dead lie within our lines alone. His total

The day operations followed an casualties are many times this." RAF night precision raid by Lan-American losses were comparacasters using the new 6-ton "factory-buster" bombs against the vote of its Finance Committee.

Senator Johnson (D-Colo), one of the sindrane for the sindr

The Marauder dash against Creil was the ninth time this month that this section of the anti-invasion Allied bombers made long dis- front Creil is situated so as to tance flights to bomb the former serve btoh the Nazi garrison in Finance Committee Chairman Dutch naval base at Soerabaja, Paris and numerous enemy in-

British Mosquitos also swept involved overwater flights of across the misty Dover Strait this Other bombers struck in the afternoon and bombed military obties to care for the wounded and Central Pacific destroyed build- jectives in northern France, under ings and guns with a 142 ton bom- Spitfire escort and without loss.

As the medium bombers sped to bardment of Wewak, weakening ernment-financed education at \$1.- Japanese air base on New Guinea, to mount machine-guns and hide 000,000,000, based on a belief that from 7 to 10 per cent of the men and women of the armed services drawing fighter opposition. First Allied use of airborne vance through the churned - up troops in Southeast Asia was re- wreckage. In one instance Allied ported by Admiral Lord Louis engineers had to construct a 75-Principal benefits provided in the Mountbatten. They landed behind foot bridge over a water-filled "G. I." bill, sponsored by the Am- Japanese lines in north Burma. bomb crater to enable our tanks

Their maneuver is a further sped- to advance. The furious fighting was in progress in full view of German artillery observers in the ruins of tion of these Nazis was becoming steadily less tenable as Allied infantrymen gamed new points on

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 3) TOBACCO STRIKE coast, five more attacks by Amer-**WILL END MONDAY**

DURHAM, March 17.- Dur-HEARING STARTS ham's strike of 2,400 employes of the American Tobacco Company ended tonight amid a flood of WASHINGTON, March 17.—(R) promises from leaders of the local units of the International Tobac-All freight rates, including those paid by the government, should be co Workers Union of America that they would lead the workers out determined by the Interstate Commerce Commission, two railroad of the plant again unless they gain

their point soon. The strike officially will end Monday morning, but in answer William Jeffers, president of the to a request from union leaders, Union Pacific, and J. B. Hill, president of the Louisville and Nash-ville, appeared to support a bill to ville, appeared to support a bill to order to make the plant ready

abolish the land grant rates which for full operation next week. cut the government's freight bill The vote in favor of returning to work was overwhelming, with less than 25 members of the union

"The Interstate Commerce Commission, which was created to prevoting to remain away from their Voting immediately after G. T.

pers, is the body which should had asked his members to return "In my opinion," he said, "if to their jobs, the membership something is not done, the rail- unanimously declared that it was The general, addressing a Commonwealth Parliament dinner parmonwealth Parliament dinner party at Camberra spoke strictly as when he made his dra-