

### OPA SEEKS TO CUT FURNITURE PRICES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Prices of home furnishings are going to be rolled back soon. Price Administrator Chester Bowles revealed today. He also predicted the recent cutback on clothing prices will reduce these costs six or seven per cent by August.

Asking the Senate Banking Committee to extend OPA's life another 18 months, he said that furniture prices have gone up 14.3 per cent since May 1943. This is the largest price increase in the cost of living index.

He called the clothing price increase — about 13 per cent — the "most dangerous" since issuance of the hold-the-line order. "If we are to hold the price line this year, we must continue control of clothing prices," he said.

OPA's life expires June 30 unless renewed. There is not much congressional opposition. Its program to lower home furnishing prices is being prepared.

Bowles said the average price of all cost of living items has increased only 1.5 per cent since May, 1943. He added that food prices, which account for about 40 per cent of living costs, have gone down 3.9 per cent.

### Taft Proposes Minimum Of Eight Months Army Instruction For Youths

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) demanded today that the Army require at least eight months training before putting an 18-year-old into combat.

Taft told the Senate he had heard of numerous boys sent into the fight "after seven months in the Army and without the vestige of any training except the basic 13 weeks."

Senator Walsh (D-Mass) expressed belief of nothing would satisfy parents but a statement that other troops were not available and that "I don't believe that situation prevails."

### Naval Aviators Increase Ratio Over Japs to 9-1

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Naval aviation, with a better than five to one record against the Japanese since the start of the war, stepped up its margin to nine to one in operations since December 1.

In a recapitulation of operations of carrier forces for the past 100 months, a naval spokesman reported today that 1,610 Japanese planes had been destroyed against 178 American planes lost in combat. In addition, the carrier borne craft damaged 1,078 planes, sank 187 enemy vessels of all types and damaged 402 others.

Japanese pilots are becoming "more and more unaggressive," the official said.

### Swiss Fighters Down Two American Planes

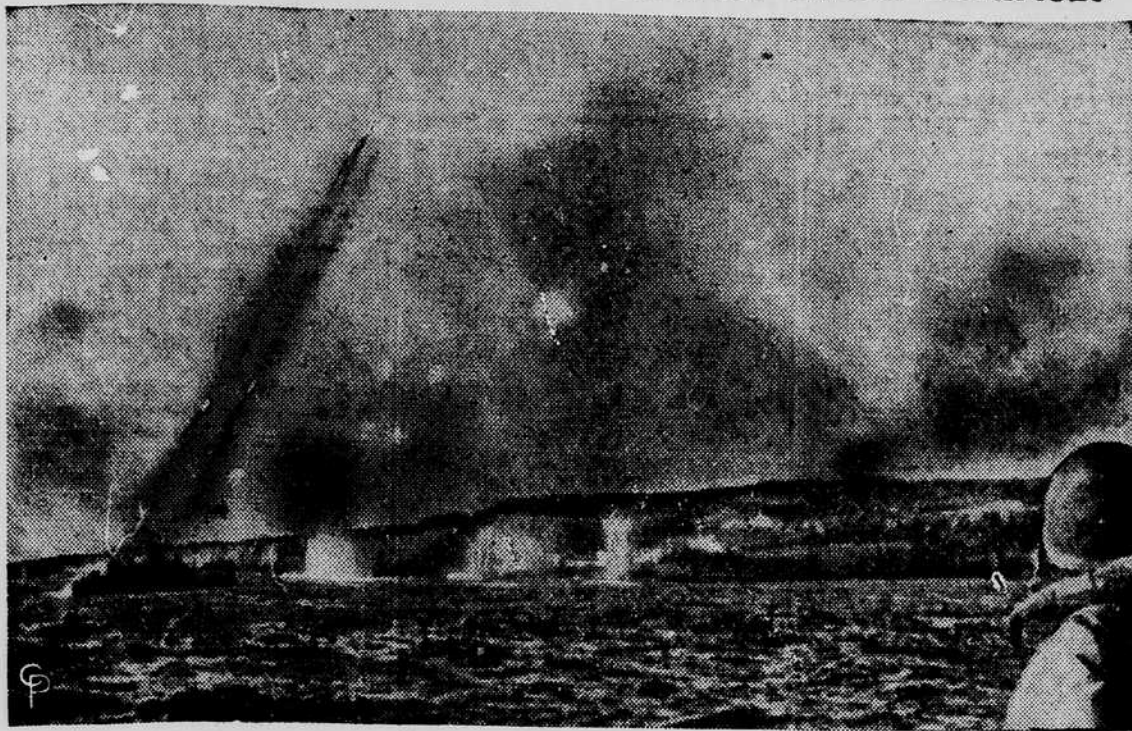
ZURICH, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Swiss fighter planes shot down two American bombers today, one crashing near Olten, in the Soleure Canton, and the second going down in flames near Lucerne.

Five other U. S. aircraft landed at Duebendorf airfield.

Shell Heads Navy Problem  
NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Officers of the Third Naval District in charge of selling surplus naval material have solved many problems, but finding use for 18,000 unneeded shell heads has them stumped. The five-and-a-half-inch shells are made of brass, a half-inch thick. The Navy would appreciate suggestions on how they could be used by civilians.

Before rubbing oil into shoes to preserve the leather, have the oil slightly warm and the shoes at room temperature.

### U. S. SHIPS SEND ROCKETS AGAINST IWO'S DEFENSES



ROCKETS FROM U. S. SHIPS lying off Iwo Jima can be seen shooting through the air toward the rugged terrain of that blood drenched island where three Marine divisions have been engaged in the toughest battle of Leatherneck history. Capture of the central airfield strip came after days of bitter fighting. (International)

## Work-Or-Fight Bill Controversy Has Newspaper Reporter In Fog

By FREDERICK C. OTHMAN  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—When I got into the newspaper business the boss said the main thing to remember was to write only about things I understood. He said that was fundamental.

He didn't take into consideration the U. S. Senate. I'm warning him and you, too, that I am about to write an item about the work or fight bill. I couldn't find any two senators who agreed what it meant or even if it was a work or fight bill. Some admitted they didn't know. Sen. Harlan J. Bushfield of South Dakota said it probably would eliminate labor unions altogether.

Sen. Harley M. Kilgore of West Virginia, who wrote all but the last two paragraphs, said it did not, either. The boys went on from there and I must say that you'll be wasting your valuable time if you read any more of this. You'll come to the end of this dispatch, feeling groggy, with sweat dripping from your chin.

Turn to the comic page (I beg you). From now on, the responsibility is yours.

The House wrote a 12-page work-or-fight bill, providing jail terms for those who wouldn't do either. The Senate Military Affairs Committee scratched out neatly all 12 pages. Then it started fresh with a bill which said, please.

A couple of the experts said politeness wouldn't get anywhere. They added a rider which would send farmers to the clink, if they threw away their hoes. They hitched on another paragraph providing a \$10,000 fine and a year in jail for certain other violators.

Sen. Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, the Military chairman, said these certain others included only the bosses, not the workers. Other senators took the other view.

Now we get to the real confusion. Thomas said he was against the idea of a work or fight bill, but he'd support this one because, feeling groggy, with sweat dripping from your chin.

Sen. Kilgore approved only that part of the bill he wrote. Senator Happy Chandler of Kentucky was against any kind of bill; he said it was Fascist. Sen. Burnet R. Maybank of South Carolina said he wanted the original House bill.

These gentlemen, you must remember, are members of the Military Affairs Committee. If they can't agree, then how in the name of Moses (the first newspaperman) does the boss expect me to understand it?

The argument will continue a while longer and no matter what the Senate decides eventually to do, it has got to make its peace with the House.

A committee of senators and a committee of representatives will go into the silence and try to come up with some kind of compromise. I don't envy them.

As for you, I told you not to read this. I know it doesn't make much sense. I bet the Senate knows it, too.

## In The Service

### WINS AIR MEDAL

Second Lieutenant David E. King, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. King, 1918 Nun street, member of a P-51 Mustang fighter group, has been awarded the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf for exceptional meritorious service in flights over the European theater. He has also been promoted to First Lieutenant, according to an announcement by his Eighth Air Force station. Before entering the Army Air Forces in February, 1943, Lt. King was employed by the Atlantic Coast Line railroad.

RECEIVES INFANTRYMAN RATING  
Pvt. Paul H. Hutchens, son of William H. Hutchens, 106 South Jackson street, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's badge for exemplary conduct in action against the enemy in the European theater. In the service for over two years, Pvt. Hutchens attended school in Newport News, Va., and later worked as a painter before entering the Armed Forces.

WOUNDED  
Pvt. Luke G. Scott, Jr., 25, husband of Mrs. Edith Scott, 120 South Fourth street, and son of Mrs. L. G. Scott, Union, S. C., has been wounded in action near the Belgian border during the Nazi push from the Ardennes sector, according to an official announcement. Pvt. Scott suffered wounds in the right hand, back and hip from enemy shrapnel but is now recovering in a U. S. hospital in England.

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### NURSES OF BATAAN PAID \$6,500 EACH

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Accumulated pay checks for the 68 Army nurses held prisoner three years in the Philippines averaged \$6,500 apiece, before allotments to families were subtracted, records showed today.

The highest ranking officer's check was for \$12,000. But many of the nurses, besides contributing to families at home, also ordered subscriptions for war bonds, which have piled up also.

A first group of eleven of the nurses, after health check at Letterman hospital here, left by Army plane today for Washington and their homes in Eastern and Mid-Western States. They include: First Lt. Rita Palmer, Hampton, N. H.; Evelyn B. Whitlow, Leesburg, N. C.; Kathryn Dollan, Suffolk, Va.; Anne B. Wurts, Leominster, Mass., and Helen Casiani, Bridgewater, Mass.

Letters of commendations from President Roosevelt and General George C. Marshall have been received by the women.

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### HOUSE OPPOSES FARMERS DRAFT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—The House reasserted in emphatic terms today a Congressional prohibition against the drafting of "necessary" young farmers into military service.

It passed by voice vote a resolution declaring that if a man is "necessary to and regularly engaged" in agriculture and is "irreplaceable," he shall not be inducted regardless of the manpower needs of the armed forces.

The legislation now goes to the Senate for action. It particularly affects approximately 360,000 farmers in the 18-25 age group.

The House struck from the measure, written by Chairman Flannagan (D-Va) of the House Agriculture Committee, a stipulation that no farmer classified as 4-F should give up his farm occupation for work elsewhere, under maximum penalty of five years imprisonment or a \$10,000 fine.

Effect of the resolution was to re-declare and strengthen the existing Tydings Amendment to the Selective Service Law, which Flannagan resolution supporters claimed had been utterly disregarded by Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Selective Service chief.

Opposing the legislation, Rep. Russell (D-Tex) declared: "There were a lot of drug store cowboys who discovered they were farmers when the Tydings Amendment was passed."

Opponents called the resolution "class legislation." Backers said it is needed to assure adequate food production.

An amendment by Rep. Robertson (D-Va) to put miners on the same basis as farmers in draft deferments was ruled out on a point of order.

### Photo Of Flag Raising On Iwo Is Compared To Famous 'Spirit Of '76'

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—A dentist was so impressed with the Associated Press wirephoto showing the raising of the American flag atop Mt. Suribachi, Iwo Jima, that he wrote Secretary Morgenthau suggesting it be used in poster form in promoting the next War Bond drive.

Dr. Edgar L. Abt said he regarded the picture as an inspiration "to every one who saw it." It was taken by AP Staff Photographer Joseph Rosenthal and transmitted over the wirephoto network for newspapers of Sunday, February 25.

"It is one of the finest pictures of the war," he added, "and it should rank with the 'Spirit of '76.'"

### INCOME TAX ABC'S



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**B. SHORT CUT:** The short form 1040. (If you earned less than \$5,000, no matter how you earned it.)

**C. LONG WAY ROUND:** The long form 1040 must be used if your income was above \$5,000, or if your deductions come to more than ten per cent of total income. But anyone MAY use it.

### U. S. 'Goop Bomb' Held Bane Of Berlin People

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Very likely it's the "Goop Bomb" that is bothering Berliners.

Washington officials advanced this possibility today, after a Swedish dispatch reported new-type incendiary bombs have been dropped on Berlin by the U. S. Air Force, causing fires of "unprecedented extent" and baffling man fire fighters.

The "Goop," which the AAF says "cannot be extinguished," is no military secret. Use of the 500-pound missile was disclosed several months ago, but it is disclosed here that it has been modified since.

It contains a mixture of jellied oil, powdered magnesium and other highly inflammable agents. The Swedish report, received by the OWI from Stockholm's Tidningen, also said that the AAF's 1,200-plane raid on Berlin Monday caused from 25,000 to 30,000 casualties.

Whether any large number of these casualties were caught by the incendiaries was not stated. It was considered possible here that the exposed condition of Berlin's population, brought about by the destruction of many shelters, made them vulnerable to the fore bombs, which ordinarily are not regarded as an anti-personnel weapon.

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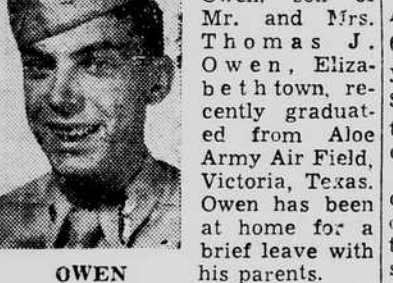
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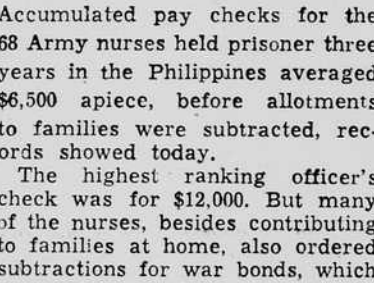
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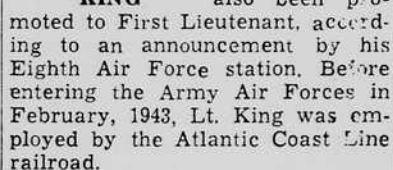
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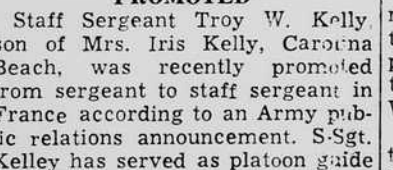
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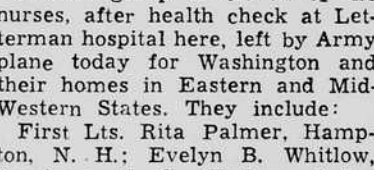
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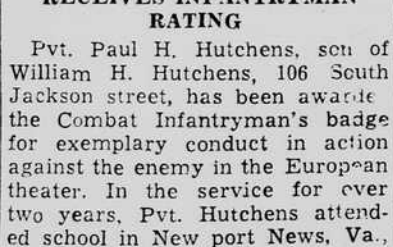
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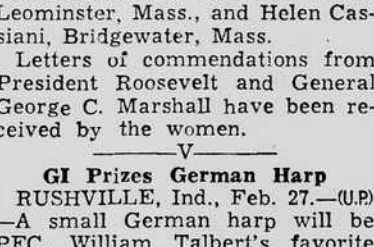
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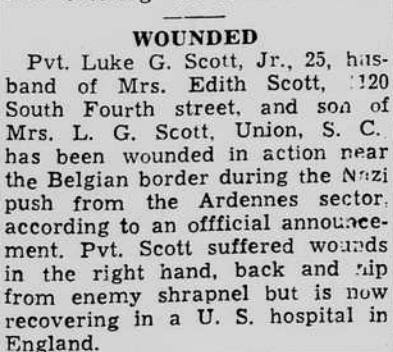
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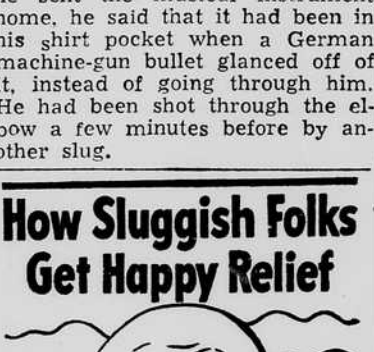
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**RATION ROUNDUP**  
By The Associated Press  
MEATS, FATS, ETC.—Book Four red stamps Q5 through S5 good through March 31. Stamps T5 through X5 good through April 23. Stamps Y5 and Z5 and A2 through D2 good through June 2. Next series—E2 through J2—will be validated March 4 and be good through June 30.  
PROCESSED FOODS—Book Four blue stamps X5 through Z5 and A2 through B2 good through March 31. Stamps C2 through G2 good through April 23. Stamps H2 through M2 good through June 2. Next series—N2 through S2—will be validated March 1 and be good through June 30.  
SUGAR—Book Four stamp scheduled for five pounds through February 28. Stamp 35 valid for five pounds through June 2. Another stamp scheduled to be validated May 1.  
SHOES—Book Three airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely. OPA says no plans to cancel any.  
GASOLINE—14-A coupons good everywhere for four gallons through March 21. B-5, C-5, E-6 and C-6 coupons good everywhere for five gallons.  
FUEL OIL—Last year's period four and five coupons and this year's period one through four coupons good in all areas. Period five coupons good in Midwest and South. All coupons good throughout current heating season.

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