

BLUE PRINT VALUES RISE

New Values On Canned Fruits An Tomatoes Go On Sunday

WASHINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—Canned mixed fruits, peaches, pineapple, pear and tomatoes will cost more blue points beginning Sunday. The increase for the fruit is from 60 to 80 points for the popular No. 2 1-2 can. A No. 2 can of tomatoes will take 30 points, an increase of 10.

However, a No. 3 can of applesauce will require only 10 points, a decrease of 20. The only other change does not mean anything to most, if any, housewives. It reduces the blue point cost of a No. 10 can of apples from 150 to 80 points. But this big (8-pound) can ordinarily is sold only to such users as hotels and bakeries.

All other blue points values remain unchanged for March.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles described the supply of canned fruits available for civilians as unusually small. In the case of tomatoes, he said the old 20-point value resulted in sales "too fast if a supply is to last until the new packs are available."

But canned apples and applesauce are plentiful. Five more blue stamps—N2, P2, O2, R2 and S2—have become valid. They will be good through June 30. Each stamp is worth 10 points.

GIRL

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In the case, I shall use my best endeavors to bring her either before the grand jury or a petit jury in Richland (Columbia) county," Brown said.

"If she knows anything that will be helpful to the solution of this case, it would be the duty of the state to bring her here or not to give out statements which would lend credence to gossip and suspicion."

The body of Mrs. Epes was recovered from a manure fork-hoed near Ft. Jackson Feb. 14 after her husband had reported her missing 16 days earlier. Sheriff Heise quoted Epes, member of a wealthy Richmond, Va., family, as saying he buried her there after she died of an overdose of a sedative.

Mrs. Epes, a school teacher, had come to Columbia to be with her husband while he awaited overseas assignment.

YANKS'

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ward for nearly three years. Palawan, 250 miles southwest of Manila and 90 miles north of Borneo, is the 17th Philippine island invaded by the Yanks.

In American hands, Palawan will dominate the South China sea approaches to Japanese-held Thailand, Indo-China, Malaya, Singapore and The Netherlands East Indies.

His seizure, MacArthur said "will not only help to insure the safe passage of our own sea transport, but render hazardous that of the enemy."

The landing was made while troops continued their pressure against the Japanese east of Manila on the Marikina watershed, vital to the capital's water supply, and within the city itself.

HEAVY FIRE

Sixth division Infantrymen under Maj. Gen. Edwin Patrick repulsed three counterattacks supported by heavy Japanese rocket and artillery fire. Fighting along the entire Antipolo-Wawa line on the Manila watershed was increasing in intensity.

First Cavalry division troops under Maj. Gen. Verne D. Mudge captured hills dominating Antipolo from the southwest after a sharp fight, and seized Cardona on the north shore of Laguna De Bay.

Inside Manila, Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler's 37th Infantry Doughboys captured the Agriculture building after a bitter fight in the basement. Japanese still were holding out in the Finance building.

North Borneo, immediately south of newly-invaded Pusan, took the heaviest bombing meted out in widespread Liberator sweeps. Ninety-eight tons of explosives, including 1,000-pounders, cratered the runways of off-bombed Tarakan and Jesselton airbases.

LIBERATORS DROPPED 78 TONS ON THE TAKAO AREA OF SOUTHWESTERN FORMOSA.

JEFFCOAT SUCCEEDS GAULT
COLUMBIA, S. C., March 2.—(AP)—The Rev. O. A. Jeffcoat of Ninety-Six has been appointed pastor of the Lowell Street Methodist church at Greenwood to succeed the late Rev. W. F. Gault, upper South Carolina Methodist conference official said today.

Gault had been at the Greenwood church for 10 years.

Legionnaires Asked To Endorse Principle Of Freedom Of News

WASHINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—American Legion posts throughout the country are being urged to endorse the principle of a free flow of world news as an essential to establishment of permanent peace.

Members of the Vincent C. Costello post of Washington are seeking nationwide support of their pledged "efforts towards the incorporation of a charter of freedom of news and communications in the forthcoming peace settlements."

Officials of the post, largest in the District of Columbia, today mailed to 5,000 legion organizations copies of a resolution expressing "enthusiastic approval of the free press principles advocated by Mr. Kent Cooper, general manager of the Associated Press."

Fifth Army Troops Make Raids On German Positions

ROME, Mar. 2.—(AP)—Fifth army troops made a large scale raid yesterday on German positions east of the Castiglione-Sasso Bolognese highways south of Bologna and silenced several enemy machineguns in a two-hour fight, allied headquarters announced today.

In general, however, activities were limited to patrolling. The Germans continued to probe eighth army positions along the Senio river on the Adriatic flank of the front and there was some skirmishing on the south bank near Contignola.

Prisoners were taken by eighth army forces in the latter area. Another German raiding party crossed the Senio southeast to Biancamano but was dispersed by artillery while attacking an eighth army strongpoint.

Chicken House Destroyed By Fire

A chicken house near Kings Mountain on Dr. J. E. Anthony's place was destroyed by fire last night about 9 o'clock and with the house about 300 chickens were burned up. The Kings Mountain Fire department prevented the spread of the blaze to other buildings on the place.

ENEMY

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Maj. Gen. Keller E. Roockey's tank-led Fifth division punched forward on the west side to rout the Japanese from their few remaining fortified hill positions.

On the opposite side, one spearhead on the plateau drove 800 yards northeast to assault hill 362, which is less than a mile from the island's northeast shoreline.

The advance was mounted from captured Motoyama town, which did not yield a single civilian.

Aerial spotters among the supporting carrier aircraft reported the enemy's regrouping. (AP) Correspondent Morrie Landsberg aboard an expeditionary flagship wrote that the held-up enemy had begun to lob shells at warships offshore instead of saving ammunition for land defense.

"They may be beginning to crack," he reported. Occasionally enemy mortars were directed at Marine beachheads but Adm. Chester W. Nimitz said the unloading of supplies for the Yanks proceeded.

Carrier planes and ships acknowledged an enemy air raid, one of the few in the U. S. controlled waters. One Japanese bomber was shot down by navy ack-ack and bombs which were dropped "caused no damage," the communique stated.

COUNTERATTACKS
Marines, fighting downhill after wresting most of the island's highlands, repulsed several night counterattacks. Erskine's Third captured 17 more prisoners to bring the bag since invasion day to 27.

There was no sign of an all-out Banzai charge. The enemy regrouping was both ominous and potentially advantageous to the Americans. It would mean the Japanese would have to give up certain pillboxes which otherwise would have to be emptied by Marine flamethrowers and machinegunners.

Progress of Maj. Gen. Clifton B. Bates' Fourth division on the east salient was slow because of fierce opposition. Its troops were deploying into enemy-held hills and mopping up along the shoreline.

The Japanese, whose dead numbered up to 4, 784 up to Wednesday, are entrenched in an arc of hill positions, some ranging over 300 feet in height.

Many lives are needlessly lost from appendicitis every year, chiefly due to ignorance and delay in diagnosis.

HERO OF FIRST WORLD WAR DIES

Sgt. Halyburton Of Taylorsville First German Prisoner

TYLORSVILLE, March 2.—(AP)—An Alexander county hero of the first world war, Sgt. Edgar M. Halyburton, who was one of the American prisoners of war paraded around Germany in a cage, died in Long Beach, Calif., Feb. 26, of spinal meningitis, it was learned here today.

Halyburton was the first enlisted man to receive the distinguished service medal, and his letter of commendation was written by General John Pershing.

The Taylorsville sergeant was the first American soldier captured by the Germans in world war one, according to Col. Fred A. Olds, and was hauled off over Germany and shown to the people, caged like a wild beast. Later, at Tuelch prison camp in West Prussia, he was one of 18 prisoners hitched to wagons and forced to haul firewood in the snow.

HEADED PRISONERS

Later moved to Rastadt prison camp, he was elected head of the American prisoners held there, and won commendation from his commander for his leadership in strengthening prisoner morale against questioning by the Germans. When influenza broke out in the camp he maintained order and kept the panic which spread through the Germans from infecting the American prisoners.

He is survived by wife, Mrs. J. J. Alexander of Asheville, and Miss Lola Halyburton of Taylorsville; and two brothers, J. E. Halyburton, and William Halyburton of Detroit. Funeral services will be held in Long Beach, Calif.

Senate Committee Thumbs Down On Williams For REA

WASHINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—The senate agriculture committee turned thumbs down today on the nomination of Aubrey Williams as Rural Electrification administrator.

Five Democrats teamed with seven Republicans to turn in a 12 to 8 vote to recommend that the senate reject the nomination.

Chairman Thomas (D-Okla.) said he would consult with Majority Leader Barkley of Kentucky and other senate leaders before reporting the committee action to the senate. This means the committee's report probably will not be filed until next week.

Ordinarily, a senate vote would follow the day after the report unless there was a motion to delay.

WESTERN

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tion of the Ruhr which spills over west of the Rhine.

American infantrymen today were digging foxholes on the west bank of the Rhine after sweeping 44 miles or more of the west banks of the lower Rhine. On the river's upper reaches, the French First Army stands on about 100 miles of its banks from the Alps to North of Strasbourg.

At Neuss, a machine and steel city of 45,000, the Second armored division fought enemy tanks and self-propelled guns at Neuss canal, and then crossed it.

With new divisions announced in the Ninth Army, its total weight was seven infantry and three tank divisions of perhaps 150,000 fighting men. These were the 2nd, Fifth and Eighth armored divisions and the 29th, 30th, 35th, 79th, 83rd, 84th and 102nd infantry divisions.

21 TOWNS TAKEN
In all 21 towns were taken yesterday. The extreme 15-mile advance was made by the hard hitting 35th division into Venlo. British Second Army lines were west of Venlo, and between that town and the Canadian First Army.

All Germans still between the left flank of the Ninth Army and the British were trapped.

(AP) Correspondent Wes Gallagher with the Ninth Army, said: "It might be only a matter of hours before the rate of Field Marshal von Rundstedt's forces north of Cologne is sealed."

In the Cologne area, the First Army was within 15 miles of the Rhine city of Bohn, at the edge of Zulpich and seven from the important traffic center of Euskirchen.

Whitelaw Kendall, Jr. Cuts Hand Badly

Whitelaw Kendall, Jr., 5, sustained a badly cut hand last night when he pushed his hand through a glass in the door at the LaFayette street apartments. Fifteen stitches were required to close the wound in his hand.

Bread and cake boxes accumulate bacteria, so be sure to clean them out occasionally.

HOYLE MEMORIAL CHURCH GETS NEW PASTOR

Appointment of Rev. J. Leo Pittard of Greensboro as pastor of Hoyle Memorial Methodist church, Shelby, for the remainder of the present conference year, effective at once, was announced today by Bishop Clare Purcell of the Charlotte area. This appointment was made after consultation with the Western North Carolina conference cabinet, composed of the district superintendents.

Hoyle Memorial church in Shelby has been without a pastor since the recent death of Dr. J. H. Barnhardt.

Mr. Pittard, who recently received his medical discharge from the United States army, in which he served four years as a chaplain, received his A. B. degree from High Point college in 1937, and was graduated at Duke divinity school in 1940.

During his service in the army chaplaincy Mr. Pittard spent 18 months in Alaska. He was trained at Salina, Kans., and subsequently was at Fort Joseph T. Robinson, near Little Rock, Ark., and Fort Lewis, near Seattle, Wash., before he went to Alaska.

Marion Hargroves Have A Son

NEW YORK, March 2.—(AP)—Sergeant Marion Hargroves, who did some shouting from houseposts about his back private experiences in a book, "See Here, Private Hargroves," kept silent for three days before letting the world in on another big Hargroves event.

The sergeant, now feature editor of the army newspaper "Yank," announced today he became a father on Feb. 28 of a son, Christopher, weight 11 pounds, seven ounces. Mrs. Hargroves is the former Alison Pfeiffer of Glen Ridge, N. J., and Battelle, Va.

DANZIG

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the old Czech border in a drive toward the Sudeten mountains.

Berlin also said the Russians had sprung a tremendous new assault against Koenigsberg in East Prussia.

While Moscow had not officially confirmed the German report of the reaching of the Stettin-Danzig highway, dispatches from the Soviet capital said the fighting was extremely fluid over a 15-mile stretch of lake-dotted plain between Bublitz and Rummelsburg, 15 miles to the northeast.

With Cossack and Siberian horsemen striking out ahead of infantry and tanks, Rokossovsky's forces also were probing southwest of Bublitz along the 35-mile railway from captured Neustettin to Belgard.

Here the Russians were striking close to Gross-Tychow, site of a large camp for American prisoners of war.

ALLIED PRISONERS
Investia said swarms of Allied prisoners of war were being overtaken and liberated by the swift Soviet thrusts across the Pomeranian countryside.

Moscow had no confirmation of German reports of the big new offensive in East Prussia and Silesia.

The Russian high command said early today that German soldiers were deserting the Nazi Army in wholesale fashion in the face of Rokossovsky's triumphant march through Pomerania and declared "the days of complete destruction of Fascist Germany are drawing near."

A Soviet communique declared the Russians had captured an order of the German commander on the Second White Russians front which set up mobile court martials in the German ranks to deal with the problem of deserters.

The order quoted a Col. Gen. Weiss, described as the commander of the Second German Army, as saying that "groups of cowards and deserters" are "roaming in the rear areas of the army" and joining the long lines of civilians trekking to the German interior.

The Russians killed 2,000 Germans yesterday and captured 400 in fighting in one sector of the Pomeranian front, the communique said. Sixteen undamaged Nazi planes also were captured.

REVENUE

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Passage of the bill, on the basis of action today, thus was delayed by at least two days.

The measure was to have passed third house reading today. It then would have been sent to the senate. It must be passed on three separate readings on separate days in both branches.

The ruling chiefly was based on an amendment eliminating insecticides from the general sales tax if purchased for use on poultry or livestock. As the bill came from committee it would have exempted insecticides, purchased for any use, from the tax. That was not the intent of the committee, and the measure was amended yesterday on the floor to pertain only to those to be used on poultry and livestock. That change was held to be material, delaying passage of the bill by one day.

RE AND PHONES
Reps. Hatch of Wake and Edwards of Greene sent up a bill to allow the Rural Electrification authority to assist rural communities in obtaining telephone service. Facilities of existing telephone companies would be employed where possible. The measure is in line with Governor Cherry's recommendation.

The Mecklenburg delegation introduced a bill to authorize county boards of commissioners to regulate or prohibit the manufacture or sale of fireworks. The measure went to judiciary one.

Rep. Vogler of Mecklenburg introduced a bill to remove penalties on delinquent taxes assessed against ad valorem property of members of the armed forces.

Today's Markets

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N. Y. COTTON AT 2:00
Today Prev. Day
March - 22.19 22.22
May - 22.10 22.13
July - 21.82 21.84
October - 21.19 21.22
December - 21.08 21.13

CHICAGO GRAIN
WHEAT
May - 1.85% 1.84%
July - 1.56% 1.56%
September - 1.55 1.55

CORN
May - 1.13% 1.13%
July - 1.12% 1.12
September - 1.09% 1.09%

RYE
May - 1.13% 1.13%
July - 1.11% 1.11%
September - 1.08% 1.09

STOCKS AT 2:00
Ann Rolling Mill - 19 1-8
American Loco - 34 1-8
American Tobacco B - 73 7-8
American Tel and Tel - 163 3-8
Anaconda Copper - 34
Assoc Dry Goods - 21 1-4
Beth Steel - 73 5-8
Boeing Air - 19 7-8
Chrysler - 101 1-2
Curtiss-Wright - 6 3-8
Elec Boat - 15 7-8
General Motors - 67 1-4
Pepsi Cola - 24 1-4
Greyhound Corp - 25 1-2
International Paper - 24 7-8
Nash Kely - 17 7-8
Glenn L Martin - 26 7-8
Newport Ind - 20 5-8
N Y Central - 25
Penn R R - 36 3-4
Southern Railroad - 39
Stand Oil N J - 60 1-2
Sperry Corp - 30 3-8
U S Rubber - 59 1-2
U S Steel - 64 5-8
Western Union - 47 1-2
Youngstown S and T - 47 1-8

BUTTER AND EGGS
CHICAGO, March 2.—(AP)—Butter, firm; receipts 293,301. Eggs, receipts 11,003; firm.

STOCKS FALTER

NEW YORK, March 2.—(AP)—Stocks faltered in today's market after three successive jumps to highest average levels since early September, 1937.

Hesitancy developed at the opening and, while activity dwindled, losses of fractions to better than a point predominated near the fourth hour.

News of the war and business generally was on the side of the bulls but numerous customers decided to cash profits in preparation for possible important week-end developments.

Bonds and commodities were uneven.

N. C. HOGS

RALEIGH, March 2.—(AP)—(NCDA)—Hog markets steady with tops of 14.55 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

N. C. EGGS, POULTRY

RALEIGH, March 2.—(AP)—(NCDA)—Egg and poultry markets weaker to steady.

Raleigh—U. S. grade A large 35 to 36; hens, all weights, 26 1-2. Washington—U. S. grade A large 38; broilers and fryers 33.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Mar. 2.—(AP)—(WFA)—Salable hogs 6,000; total 9,500; active, fully steady; good and choice barrows and gilts 140 lbs. up at 14.75 ceiling; good and choice sows at 14.00; complete clearance.

Salable cattle 2,000; total 2,300; salable calves 600; total 600; active and generally steady; week-end trade on all classes cattle; few loads medium to average-good grade steers and yearlings 13.50-15.75 short load 1.205 lbs. 16.00; no choice steers offered but high-choice 1,040 lb. heifers 16.50; other fed heifers 13.50-15.00; most beef cows 9.50-13.00, canners and cutters 7.50-9.25; weighty sausage bulls still bringing up to 14.00 and choice vealers 16.00.

Corens Charged With Murder Of His Wife

WASHINGTON, March 2.—(AP)—Henry H. Corens, Bethesda, Md., automobile painter, is charged with murder in the beheading of his 31-year-old wife.

Maryland State's Attorney Joseph B. Simpson, Jr., said the charge was filed yesterday following an autopsy which showed death was caused by strangulation.

The head of Mrs. Corens, a war department employe, was found Tuesday near a lonely road in nearby Fairfax county, Va. The body has not been located.

Simpson said the head was sawed from the body some time after the woman's death.

Nurses' Home Asking Donation Of Books

An appeal for books for the student nurses' library at Shelby hospital was made today by Miss Bryte Glascoe, nurses' superintendent.

"We have 60 girls enrolled as student nurses and good reading material is badly needed. Anyone who has books—fiction, history, biography or anything the girls will find readable—they will give will be doing the hospital and the student nurses a favor," Miss Glascoe said.

Basketball Star Scores 65 Points

ASHEVILLE, March 2.—(AP)—This mountain air must be made for high-scoring in basketball.

Last night Lt. Ed Denton, former Indiana university star, scored 65 points in the Asheville city league when the Asheville redistribution center defeated Morgan Candy company, 95-38.

Lt. Denton scored 41 points in each of three recent games.

Earlier this week, Jim Paton, 17-year-old youth, scored 78 points against the Morgan team.

PROBATION MEET IS HELD HERE

A Conference of probation officers with Lewis J. Grout, of Washington, D. C., chief of probation service, and Judge E. Y. Webb, of the western district court of North Carolina was held here this morning in the office of Charles A. Burrus, probation officer for this district.

Probation policies were discussed in detail. Those attending were Thomas S. Garrison, Vernon W. Brown, both of Asheville; Connor R. Hutchison, of Charlotte, Mr. Burrus and Mr. Grout.

Mr. Grout succeeded Richard A. Chappell in this service and this is the first conference he has attended in this district. Mr. Chappell entered the armed service of his country.

Polio Hospital To Move To Charlotte

CHARLOTTE, March 2.—(AP)—Monday is moving day for the Hickory emergency infantile paralysis hospital.

A two-mile convoy composed of patients, nurses and equipment will travel 55 miles to the new polio hospital at Charlotte Memorial hospital.

City and county police, the state highway patrol and 10 off-duty Charlotte firemen will assist the Charlotte Variety club in the huge task which will employ 70 automobiles, 12 ambulances and several trucks.

Death Certificates For Those Dying In Service Advocated

WASHINGTON, MARCH 2.—(AP)—Senator Maybank of South Carolina has introduced a bill in the Senate authorizing the issuance of death certificates for "persons dying in the military or naval forces."

Maybank said he introduced the bill at the request of the American Legion Post of Chester, S. C.

Provisions of the act would require the Secretary of the War or Secretary of Navy to "execute or transmit to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, or office corresponding thereto, of the county of residence of such person, a certificate of death showing the name, rank, age, and race of such a person, the date of his entrance into the service and date and place of death."

Senator Maybank pointed out that no public record is made at the present time of deaths in military service.

WANT ADS

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