

SHELBY BOYS THOUGHT FREED

At Least Nine Were in Camps Known To Have Been Liberated

Although no official word has been received through government channels and no direct contact has been made, a number of families here have reason to believe that at least nine Clevelanders who have been prisoners of war in Germany have now been liberated by allied armies. The belief is based on stories released through the newspapers that certain prison camps have been liberated and families of these men know they were in those camps.

Believed to have been liberated recently are the following: Lt. Archie P. Bridges of Shelby, S/Sgt. Rush Mintz of Lattimore, T/Sgt. Lon Canipe, Jr. of Casar, Pvt. Wilburn Page of Shelby, all of whom were in Stalag 7-A; Lt. Buck O'Shields, Lt. Ralph Blanton and Lt. Hugh E. Noell, interned in Stalag Luft I; and Pvt. Jack Hulick and Pvt. John Dixon, interned in Stalag IIA.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bridges said this morning they had not heard from their son, Lt. Archie Bridges, since December 8 but they had read in the Prisoner of War Bulletin he was moved from Stalag Luft III to Stalag 7-A in January. He has been a prisoner since May 19, 1944. No word has been received by the parents of any of these men, though they are all confident the prisoners have been liberated and will communicate with home folks as soon as possible. Sgt. Mintz has been a prisoner since August, 1943. Pvt. Page since July, 1944, and Sgt. Canipe since September, 1944.

NO WORD
Lt. Blanton has been a prisoner since December, Lt. O'Shields since July and Lt. Noell since February of 1944. Pvt. Hulick and Pvt. Dixon have been prisoners since November and December of last year respectively.

To date there has been no news of S/Sgt. Bruce Morgan, a prisoner of the Germans since March, 1944, or of Pvt. Bill Gault, who was captured by the enemy in the African campaign. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morgan said they believed Sgt. Morgan has moved during the winter months since their last communication from him came from Stalag IV and that camp has been overrun by the Allies and found empty. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Gault believe their son was also moved since his camp, Stalag II-B, has also been taken and no prisoners were found there. Neither family has had any communication from the since the mid-winter months.

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packed with explosives, corkscrewed into the fleet before dawn. They succeeded in damaging only one American ship.
Bombers attacked the Yontan airstrip, causing some damage, and joined Kamikaze (suicide) pilots, in raiding the fleet. Some bombers loosed baka bombs—Gilder-type bombs guided by suicide pilots. Fifty-four attacking planes and one baka bomb were shot down by ship's guns and combat air patrol. Intercepting carrier aircraft brought down 96 planes, and four others were wiped out in isolated actions.

VESSELS DAMAGED
Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced the combined air and suicide boat assault sank five light units and damaged others — he didn't say how many. That makes 24 U. S. surface craft sunk since the Ryukyus islands campaign began March 18.

Radio Tokyo, with its fondness for large numbers, claimed "more than 50" American ships were sunk or damaged in the past two days. It listed "two battleships, two cruisers and one destroyer" as sunk and "many aircraft carriers heavily damaged."

MaJ. Gen. John R. Hodge, commander of the 24th army corps, said ground action left front lines virtually unchanged, but the enemy's attacks furnished the most fruitful day of the campaign for American riflemen and machine-guns.

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one, with any wage changes to be retroactive.
Ickes, in his capacity as solid fuels administrator, has taken possession of 363 anthracite companies, all in Pennsylvania. He also seized 33 strike-bound bituminous mines yesterday, bringing to 272 the number of government-controlled soft coal properties.

THE RECORD SHOP

NEWEST SELECTIONS JUST RECEIVED.
"Soldier's Last Letter", Elton Britt
"V-Day Stamp", The Four Clefs
"Blue Bird of Happiness", Felix Knight
"I'll Always Be With You", Perry Como

Manwell Morris & Kennedy Furniture
PHONE 788 SHELBY, N. C.

FARMERS MUST COLLECT POINTS

Shelby rationing officials say they are receiving persistent reports that many farm slaughterers are not collecting meat and fat points on their sales of farm produced rationed meat and fat commodities.

Farmers are being advised, J. J. Hartigan, secretary of the rationing board said, that they must conform to rationing regulations by collecting points on all sales or gifts of farm slaughtered meat. It was pointed out by Mr. Hartigan that farm slaughterers as well as commercial slaughterers are legally required to turn over to OPA the points collected each month on sales or transfers of rationed meats.

Mrs. Surratt Died Friday, Rites Sunday

Mrs. Solena Moss Surratt, 89, of route 1, Shelby, died at her home Friday afternoon. She was the widow of Columbus Surratt. Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Buffalo Baptist church near Blacksburg, of which Mrs. Surratt was a charter member. The Rev. J. O. Summerlin of Morganton will conduct the service.

Mrs. Surratt is survived by two daughters, Miss Maude Surratt of the home and Mrs. Pearl Nichols of Charlotte; two sons, Earl Surratt of Shelby, and Eaker Surratt of Bowling Springs; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

JUBILANT

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King Christian was reported to have ordered mobilization of the whole resistance movement, putting an estimated 300,000 men under arms in the capital alone. They appeared everywhere, carrying tommyguns and other arms, mostly of British and American manufacture.

A Free Danish police brigade of 6,000, which was trained in Sweden, was scheduled for transport to Denmark from southern Sweden early today, it was officially announced.

Some members of the resistance movement attacked the headquarters of the Danish Nazi Auxiliary Police Corps, the Gestapo headquarters in St. Anne's palace, and the headquarters of Nazi Ambassador Dr. Werner Best at Dagmarhus on the Rådhus Plads, central square of the Danish capital.
Reports to Malmoe newspapers from Copenhagen said 20 persons were killed and 70 wounded in the clashes.

A British broadcast at 8:30 p.m. brought the news to Copenhagen that the German troops had surrendered to Field Marshal Montgomery and immediately the streets boiled over with happy, laughing, thankful Danes.

There was a shout: "To Amalbeorg!"
With one impulse the crowds broke toward the Palace Square. The throng would not disperse until one of the king's aides came out of the palace and said:
"You must remember the king has been ill and is not quite a youth any more. He has just gone to bed. But he has asked me to tell you this is the happiest day of his life and that he is deeply moved over the fact your first thought has been to come here to demonstrate your feelings."

"And when I now ask you to go home, you hear the king's wish. I know you won't act against it."
The people milled into other parts of the city, but others came and left and kept moving into the night.

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nate many sources of possible controversy from the remaining weeks of the United Nations conference. However, it remains to be seen how aggressively small nations will push amendments on which the Big Four have not taken a position.

VETO POWERS
Several delegations already have assailed the veto powers over peaceable or forceful settlement of disputes which the big nations would have in the security council.

To compose their joint amendments the Big Four foreign ministers—Molotov, Stettinius, Eden and Soong—worked intensively for two days in the penthouse apartment which Stettinius occupies atop a Nob Hill hotel. Their final session broke up just before last midnight—dead-line for filing amendments with the conference secretary.

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of Moravia.
In the south, the U. S. Seventh army seized Bechtsgaden, virtually completing occupation of Bavaria. Americans went through the Brenner pass yesterday and met U. S. Fifth army troops in Italy.

Allied armies flew more than 1,000 sorties yesterday, concentrating on traffic in Austria and Czechoslovakia, and escape ships in the Baltic.

Surrender of German garrisons at Helgoland and the Frisian island of Borkum, both heavily fortified, permits Allied minesweepers to move quickly to open such ports as Hamburg, Bremen, and Emden. The great naval bases and ports in Holland and Denmark are available to Allied navies.

FOOD FOR HOLLAND
Allied bombers flying through rain and snow dropped another 1,200 tons of food and other supplies over Holland today, raising the total delivered in seven days to about 8,850 tons.

"Hostilities ceased at 0800 hours, British double summertime, today," on the 21st Army group front, declared the 392nd communique from Supreme Allied headquarters. "All

DRAFT NEWS: 2,000,000 To Get Releases After V-E Day

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

WASHINGTON, May 5.—(AP)—The Army plans to discharge 2,000,000 men beginning with the fall of Germany and to send 6,000,000 picked troops against Japan.

This was disclosed today by House military committee members after a closed-door session with high army officials.

The men to be discharged, they said, will be those with the most dependents and the longest and most active service records. The Army's point system, they reported, gives top weighting to dependency, followed by actual combat service overseas duty, and overall length of service.

Heretofore the weight to be given each of the factors in determining priority for discharges has been a closely-guarded secret.

Of the approximately 8,300,000 men now in the Army, from 300,000 to 400,000 comprising the recently-created 15th Army will be left abroad to occupy Germany. Some 2,000,000 others will be discharged within a year after V-E day, the speed depending on the progress of the actual reduction in the Army's total strength, the committee was told, will be about 1,400,000 men, due to an estimated 600,000 in new inductions.

Many of those to be discharged now are on duty in the Pacific. The Army's air transport command told the committee it expected to be ready to move 50,000 men monthly within two months after Germany surrenders. This will include men being brought to this country from Europe and the Pacific and those being sent from here against Japan. Converted freighters will be used to augment the army's transport ships to bring back the others.

Army officials emphasize that the plans are tentative, but are based on their best knowledge of Japan's available fighting manpower.
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Burlington Mills Asks Permission To Make Wage Increase

GREENSBORO, May 5.—(AP)—The Burlington Mills corporation announced here yesterday it had asked the War Labor board to authorize a general wage increase of five cents an hour for approximately 16,000 employees.

The corporation operates 48 plants in North Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee.
Its application it also asked permission to grant a five cents an hour premium for third shift operatives in most departments.

Operations of the company include rayon throwing and weaving, cotton and staple rayon spinning, dyeing and finishing, and hosiery manufacturing.
If the application is approved, the company said it would mark the seventh general wage increase for its employees since 1940, basic wage rates have been 56 percent in that period, it added.

Farmers To Study Small Grains

RALEIGH, May 5.—(AP)—A series of meetings to study small grains will be held next week by State College Extension Service and the Agriculture Experiment station, according to Dr. Emerson Collins, in charge of extension agronomy.
Meetings scheduled are: At Plymouth, Monday; Wake County, Tuesday; Hoke County, Wednesday; Union and Cleveland Counties, Thursday; Iredell County, Friday.

800 Polish Catholic Priests Liberated
NEW YORK, May 5.—(AP)—The Polish Telegraph agency said today that 800 Polish Catholic priests had been freed from the Dachau concentration camp in Germany, with many at the point of death.

German armed forces in north-west Germany, Holland and Denmark, including the garrison on Helgoland and the Frisian Islands, had surrendered unconditionally to Allied forces.

The surrender—leaving the third Reich one of the most completely shattered powers which ever lost a war—was negotiated by Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, who flatly rejected a German offer to surrender also to him three German armies facing the Russians.

From 80,000 to 100,000 Germans surrendered in Holland—which was invaded by Hitler's legions on May 10, 1940, just five days short of five years ago.

Only two remote pockets—Norway and the Czech-Austrian sector—remained, and Associated Press Correspondent Daniel De Luce, who has been in both Stockholm and Moscow recently, said negotiations were in progress for the liquidation of these without a fight.
The mass surrenders have boosted the total of German prisoners taken by the western Allies to well over 4,000,000.

CZECHS RISE AGAINST NAZIS IN PRAGUE

LONDON, May 5.—(AP)—A Czechoslovak broadcast from London reported tonight that a Czech uprising against the Germans had begun in Prague and that fighting already had occurred in the capital.

Simultaneously the Paris radio broadcast quotations from purported reports from Czechoslovakia: "Great confusion reigns in Prague and riots are threatened. The Gauleiter of Bohemia has been captured by American troops."

Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz two days ago offered to declare Prague a "hospital city," a frequent German term for an open city, and in effect indicated he would not attempt to defend it.

The Czechoslovak government earlier today said a group of Czech industrialists had left Prague in an effort to contact Allied troops and arrange for withdrawal of the Germans from the area.

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earth and crashed the door to the telegraph room, he did not have guts enough to smash the apparatus.

VALUABLE BOOTY
Hanging on the wall were some sheets of paper with badly spelled words.

LONDON, May 5.—(AP)—The Free German radio station in Moscow today quoted Dr. Hans Fritzsche, captured lieutenant of Nazi Propaganda Minister Goebbels, as saying Hitler's body "has been hidden in a place which will be impossible to find."

Fritzsche had been quoted by the Russians previously as saying Goebbels and Hitler had committed suicide.

Russian sentences scrawled across them, saying: "Soldiers, do not wreck this apparatus. It is very valuable booty for your Red Army."
Polevy said investigation proved that electric workmen who kept the underground generators going had written the message.

On the approaches to the headquarters, Polevy said: "There are numerous pillboxes and wire traps behind high wire fences spotted along the roads. Everything is sprinkled with old gray and yellow dust and paint and it is very difficult to pick out the building or fire-points."

When he went in, "pompously dressed" waiters noiselessly opened the headquarters doors for him. He said a swastika fluttered from the roof but in the village of Zossen there was very little of anything.

"A German electrical engineer, an old man named Hans Beltow, was in charge of the complicated electrical setup of headquarters," he wrote. "He did not care about retreating with the troops. He willingly showed us about the place."
DEEPER CHAMBERS
"Through an underground passage we got to an entry to still deeper chambers. The elevator was not working. It took a long time to go down the circular staircase, which seemed endless. Finally we arrived at the bottom of the stairwell. In front of us was a whole underground city. Long corridors go in every direction with rows upon rows of special rooms."

"Everything in this devilish Hitler war kitchen testifies how unexpected was the Red Army blow. Lots of workmen were caught unaware."
"The floors are covered with scattered papers, maps and inquiries. The room of the chief of staff is something to behold. His dressing robe is on a table and his slippers beside an unmade bed. On a night table stands an unfinished bottle of wine with glasses and a heap of apples."

VOTE FOR CIO
WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The National Labor Relations board announced today that employees of the White Furniture company, Mebane, N. C., had voted for the United Furniture Workers of America (CIO) to represent them in collective bargaining.

When the United States was first established, there was no money in the federal treasury and no machinery for collecting taxes, no judiciary, no court system and no means of enforcing federal law.

Mrs. J. Luther Snyder Of Charlotte, Mother Of Mrs. Jones, Is Dead

Mrs. J. Luther Snyder, 64, of Charlotte, mother of Mrs. Hubert Jones of Shelby, died early today in a Charlotte hospital where she had been a patient since Wednesday morning. She had been in failing health for several months.

Mrs. Snyder is survived by her husband, J. Luther Snyder, president of a bottling company in Charlotte, and five children; George C. Snyder, an officer in the 38th evacuation hospital unit, now on overseas duty, James N. Snyder, a student at Devereaux school at Glenmore, Pa., Mrs. W. B. Garrison of Gastonia, Mrs. Hubert R. Jones of Shelby, and Mrs. Norman Jones of Concord. Eleven grandchildren also survive.

Mrs. Snyder was a daughter of the late A. A. and Rebecca Lee Crisman of Strasburg, Va. She was a member of the Myers Park Methodist church. Funeral plans had not been completed this morning.

Political Crisis Shapes In Brussels

BRUSSELS, May 5.—(AP)—A political crisis apparently was shaping up here today. The Socialist party is seeking King Leopold's abdication and the Catholic party threatens to withdraw from the government if the Belgian monarch, upon his release by the Germans, is prevented from assuming his "constitutional powers."

Count Carton de Wiart and Baron Moyerson, leaders of the Catholic party, conferred with Premier Achille Van Acker and pointed out that there would be "grave difficulties" if the constitution is not followed.

The Communist newspaper "Drapeau Rouge" supported the Socialist view and said Liberal Democrats and resistance leaders would form a united front against the king's return to the throne.

Morganton's Entire Supply Of Ration Stamps Is Stolen

MORGANTON, May 5.—(AP)—County and OPA investigators pushed an investigation today seeking to run down a thief or thieves who stole Morganton's entire supply of ration stamps Thursday night.

The board's office was entered by use of a crowbar and a light safe in which the ration currency was kept was battered open.
The loot included gasoline, sugar, shoes, boots and stove coupons. Officials did not disclose the number of stamps taken.

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istice Day—did indeed signal the end of the world conflict. But this second World War is a catastrophe of an entirely different calibre. The end of the fighting in Europe, and the ending in due course of the Pacific warfare, have ceased to mean finalities but will present merely completed incidents in the general upheaval which is ushering in a new era for mankind.

Europe is torn by an unprecedented destruction of human life and property. Its economic structure has been shattered. Much of it is suffering real hunger.
The whole set-up of balance of power as we knew it has been knocked into a cocked hat. Germany and Italy have disappeared as great powers. France is just beginning to recover. Russia is emerging as the dominant power of the eastern hemisphere. Britain has ceased to be the policeman of Europe.

These volcanic changes have produced conditions which are altering the political complexion of much of the continent. Country after country, in its effort to find a new remedy for its ills, is clutching at straws in endemic struggle to establish a government which will meet the new situation. The swing is heavily to the left, and much of it is communistic. In some countries this search has been accompanied by violence.

REHABILITATION
Thus when we have V-E day behind us we must plunge immediately into an even greater work than winning the war—and that will be the winning of the peace. We shall have to maintain order under conditions which invite trouble. We must help rehabilitate a Europe which is struggling with hunger and other privations, while its political forces are rocking.

And when we look to the Orient we can see political storms growing out of the Japanese war. Those will become more apparent as we approach V-J day in the Pacific. China is torn with an internal political strife between the Chinese communists and the Chungking government under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Mighty India is pressing for self-determination. We may expect other political developments, and all of them will be of moment not only to the Orient but to the western world.

So our rejoicing over V-E Day should be tempered by the realization that a mighty work remains to be done. We can see difficulties developing here and there, but we have made a magnificent start and there's no reason for discouragement over the size of our task.

Today's Markets

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Webb Building Shelby, N. C.

N. Y. COTTON CLOSE
Today Prev. Day
March 22.11 21.97
May 22.92 22.94
July 22.78 22.76
October 22.30 22.20
December 22.19 22.06

CHICAGO GRAIN WHEAT
Today Prev. Day
May 1.74% 1.75
July 1.12% 1.12%
September 1.60% 1.60%

CORN
Today Prev. Day
May 1.15 1.15
July 1.12% 1.12%
September 1.11% 1.11%

RYE
Today Prev. Day
May 1.36% 1.36%
July 1.34% 1.33%
September 1.24% 1.24%

STOCKS CLOSE
Ann Rolling Mill 19 1-2
American Loco 34 1-2
American Tobacco B 75
American Tel and Tel 165 1-2
Anaconda Copper 33 7-8
Beth Steel 80 3-8
Boeing Air 19
Chrysler 115 3-8
Curtiss-Wright 5 3-4
Elec Boat 16 1-8
General Motors 70 1-8
Pepsi Cola 23 3-8
Greyhound Corp 27 3-4
International Paper 26 7-8
Nash Kely 21 5-8
Glenn L Martin 24 1-2
New York Ind 24 1-2
N Y Central 26 1-2
Penn R R 38 7-8
Radio Corp 12 1-8
Reynolds Tob 34 1-4
Southern Railroad 45 7-8
Stand Oil N J 65
Sperry Corp 29 3-4
U S Rubber 59
U S Steel 68 3-8
Western Union 46 1-2
Youngstown S and T 49 3-8

SELECTIVE STRENGTH
NEW YORK, May 5.—(AP)—Selective strength continued to buoy today's stock market as the approach of all-out victory in Europe inspired further investment demand for issues of companies that stand to prosper with the return of normal operations.

Ahead the greater part of the proceedings were Great Northern, Southern Pacific, Hudson Motors, Certain-teed, Grumman Aircraft, Hupp Motors, American Can, American Radiator, U. S. Steel, Texas Pacific Land Trust, Goodyear, Montgomery Ward, Sears Roebuck, J. I. Case, Western Union "A", American Smelting, Anaconda, Consolidated Edison and Texas Co.

N. C. HOGS
RALEIGH, May 5.—(AP)—(NCD A)—Hog markets steady with tops of 14.55 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

N. C. EGGS, POULTRY
RALEIGH, May 5.—(AP)—(NCD A)—Egg and poultry markets steady.
Raleigh, U. S. grade A extra large 38; hens, all weights, 27 1-2.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK
CHICAGO, May 5.—(WFA)—Salable cattle 30, calves 100; compared Friday last week: choice steers steady to strong; all others unevenly steady to 25 lower, with medium grades showing most decline, top 17.90 on weighty steers, with light steers 17.85 and yearlings 17.65; bulk steers and yearlings 15.25-17.40; common and medium grades 12.75-15.00; largely steer run, 1480 and 1550 lb offerings up to 17.75; heifers strong to 25 higher; good and choice kinds gained most, top reaching 17.90, highest since 1919; bulk fed heifers sold actively at 14.00-17.00; cows 50-75 lower; medium and good beef cows showed full decline; bulls 25-50 down, mostly 50-75 lower; vealers 1.00 lower, but closed active at 16.00 down cutter cows closed at 8.50 down, weighty sausage bulls stopping late at 13.00, mostly 12.75-down to 9.50, some common and medium light sausage bulls 1.00 off only specialty heavy beef bulls above 13.75 at week-end outside demand steers and yearlings broad but eastern orders for cows and

bulls showed sharp abridgment during week; stock calves strong; bulk 13.50-15.00, with choice Montana yearlings to 15.75 and weighty feeders to 15.85.

Officers Seize 15 Slot Machines
RALEIGH, May 5.—(AP)—Seizure and confiscation of 15 slot machines and one "horse-racing" machine was announced by Sheriff Numa F. Turner as law enforcement officers started a drive here to halt the operation of such devices.

Seizures, the sheriff said, were made at the Sphinx club, the American Legion club, the Elks club and the Royal Arcanum club.
No arrests were made, he said, adding that there was no interference at any of the establishments.

Lutheran Missionary Societies Will Meet
The senior and LeRhea Davis missionary societies of the Ascension Lutheran church will hold a joint meeting Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. Joe Craver will present a program on the Rural Church and the Rev. J. S. Crow, a successful rural pastor, will be the guest speaker.

After the address by the Rev. Mr. Crow, the two societies will meet separately for a business meeting and will elect new officers for the next year.

GRAYSON HELD FOR FORGERY

Beach Grayson was bound over to Superior court on a charge of forgery following hearing held in Cleveland Recorder's court this morning.

Raymond Littlejohn, negro, was given 18 months on the roads for assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill. He is charged with firing a pistol at Will Sadler, also a negro, on the Shelby hospital grounds. Littlejohn appealed from this judgment and his case will be heard in Superior court.

Hudson DePriest Sues New York Newspaper

B. Hudson DePriest, former Shelby newspaper man and son of George W. DePriest, has instituted suit against "PM," an afternoon New York newspaper, of which Marshall Field is president and its staff writers Tom O'Connor and P. Lewis asking \$100,000 damages for two articles which DePriest alleges were malicious.

The articles in question were published in "PM" in the early part of the so-called "sedition" trial in Washington in 1944 when Hudson DePriest's name was linked with a group indicted for sedition by the Federal government. DePriest was exonerated by the grand jury and he alleges that he was not a defendant in the trial of a group of defendants charged with anti-Semitism.

Horace McSwain Speaks At Vespers

Chaplain Horace McSwain, USNR, stationed at Memphis, Tenn., will speak tomorrow night at six o'clock at the regular Vesper hour at Central Methodist church. A former member of Central church and resident of this city, Chaplain McSwain entered the navy soon after completing his training for the ministry. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McSwain.

British At Pegu Pursuing Japs

CALCUTTA, May 5.—(AP)—British troops, after clearing Pegu, are pursuing fleeing Japanese forces eastward toward Moulmein, port city across the Gulf of Martaban from captured Rangoon, a Southern Sea command communique announced today.
The enemy was presumably retreating along the rail line that runs from Pegu, 50 miles north of Rangoon, to Moulmein.

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in the Southwest Pacific. They secured about 25 percent of the rich oil wells in that vicinity.
Japanese defenders fired from the tops of derricks as the Aussies advanced. One digger contingent assaulted the hill position dominating the center of the town but was repulsed.

SOFTENED UP
After a naval bombardment and a liberal sprinkling of anti-personnel bombs by supporting Mitchell bombers, the Australians fought again but were held up by machinegun fire from tunnels. Later 25 pounders were brought up in an effort to silence the Japanese while the Australians consolidated their positions in the western part of the town.

The Japanese were blowing up the oil wells with remote controlled explosive charges, Davis said.
Yanks of the 4th division, who had been expecting a stiff fight as they advanced on Davao, reached the outskirts of the city and found indications that the main Japanese force had fled. As they entered the town, however, enemy snipers and suicide squads forced a house-to-house fight. The Yanks went on through, to the northern outskirts. Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters said the fighting was not severe.

HEADS HEATING GROUP
DURHAM.—(AP)—Heading the North Carolina chapter of the North American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers for the coming year will be Karl Selden of Charlotte.
He was elected at the annual meeting of the group held here last night.

WANT ADS

FOR RENT: 2 LARGE UNFURNISHED rooms next to Cleveland Times. See O. P. Allen, 610 Linenberger Street. 11p
LOST: "A" GAS BOOK. PLEASE return to Ed Hill, route 1, Lawndale. 11p
WE STILL HAVE SWEET Potatoes for sale at \$1.25 a bushel. Will White, route 1, Bostic. 11p
FOR SALE: OUTDOOR, KEROSENE chick brooder—100 capacity. The very thing for raising chicks in town. Morrison Farms, near Zoar church. 25p
RAYMOND DAWKINS LOST A Ration Book. Finder please return to Shelby R. No. 4, Box 89 11 51

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

HEAR DR. ZENO WALL
11:00: "A Well Merited Tribute."
8:00: "The Three Crosses."
HORACE ANTHON, ANCHORS
11:00: EASEM, "Hallelujah Chorus," Beethoven Quintet, "The Lord's Prayer," Malotte
8:00: Anthem, "The Wondrous Cross," Pease Quartet, "The Wayside Cross," Palmer