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Rationing Of Meat To Start March 29 Under Point Value

Butter, Cheese, Fats, And Canned Fish Included; Average Two Pounds Weekly

Washington, March 12.—(AP)—Best, pork, lamb and mutton will be rationed at an average of about two pounds per week for home consumption starting Monday, March 29. Rationing of butter, cheese, other edibles and oil and canned fish will start at the same time.

Through this time expected to be up the civilian supplies, which have been curtailed by huge diversions to the armed forces and lend-lease. Local markets are expected to disappear quickly.

Harold B. Rowe, in charge of food rationing, at the office of price administration, said the allotment will be proportionately more generous than the limits put earlier this month on canned frozen and dried fruits and vegetables.

The meat rationing will be in the form of a coupon system. Each coupon will entitle the holder to a certain amount of meat.

The coupons will be issued in the form of a book. Each book will contain a certain number of coupons.

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Escaped from Japs



HILDEGARD BRENNKE, 27, is recuperating in a Chongking, China, hospital after being from the Japs. She was interned at Shanghai, transferred to Hanoi, and escaped in May, 1942, with an American. They walked 2,500 miles. Hildegard arrived in Chongking last month. Her companion never reached Chongking. (Continued)

Salary Rule Faces Test

House to Vote Today On Rider Nullifying President's Limit Of \$25,000 Annually

Washington, March 12.—(AP)—An attempt to nullify President Roosevelt's \$25,000 after-tax limit on wartime salaries nets a House test today which may serve as a sign post for congressional treatment of future executive decrees.

The House will vote today on a rider to the War Relocation Authority bill which would nullify the President's salary limit.

The rider would allow executives to receive salaries in excess of \$25,000 after taxes.

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NAZIS ABANDON VYAZMA

ALLIED BOMBERS POUND MARETH LINE

Axis Troops Thrown Back With Losses

Softening Up Raids Begun as Ground Attacks Are Repulsed In Northern Tunisia

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, March 12.—(AP)—Allied bombers and fighters began softening Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's troop positions and supply lines in the Mareth area yesterday as British and American ground forces beat off three attacks by axis troops in northern Tunisia, it was announced today.

Axis infantry and artillery struck once, then again and again, at British defenses near Tamera, but each time the enemy was thrown back with considerable losses, field accounts said.

At the same time, United States bombers and fighters struck again at axis sea lanes and the allies reported the destruction of twelve more axis planes. Seven allied aircraft were listed missing.

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SURVIVE 83 DAYS ON A RAFT



Reduced to skin and bones by hunger, thirst and exposure, C. Van der Slot, of Rotterdam, is helped aboard a Navy patrol boat by a U. S. sailor after a rescue off the Brazilian coast. Equally stricken were his companions, Nick H. V. Dingen, of Holland, and Basil D. Luzzi, of South Barry, Mass. Survivors of an original group of five men who had sought refuge on the raft after their ship had been torpedoed by a Nazi sub, the men subsisted for 83 days on raw fish, food and rainwater. Official Navy photo. (International)

Income Tax Plan Passed

House Committee Approves Proposal To Discount Taxes Paid in Advance

Washington, March 12.—(AP)—The House ways and means committee today approved a plan to reduce by as much as 1 per cent the tax obligations of persons paying income taxes before they come due. Thus, contributing individuals to go on a pay-as-you-go basis.

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Tobacco Acreage To Be Increased

MORGAN REPORTED TO BE HOLDING OWN

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Military Facilities Destroyed

Nazi Announcement Of Retreat Offset By Claims of Gains In Battle of Kharkov

London, March 12.—(AP)—The German high command, in a communiqué broadcast in the Berlin radio announced today the evacuation of Vyazma, which has become the last of the "meatline" between the Red Army and the German forces.

The communiqué said the withdrawal was executed after military installations were destroyed.

Offsetting this announcement of retreat, the war bulletin claimed further gains for the German counter-offensive to the south in the new battle for Kharkov and it said fighting was proceeding in the streets of that city.

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Seed Potato Supply Short

Washington, March 12.—(AP)—The War Relocation Authority today announced that it is short of seed potatoes.

The shortage is due to a lack of seed potatoes in the United States.

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RAF Raids Stuttgart

Eleven Bombers Fail To Return; Germans Attack London In Sunrise Raid

London, March 12.—(AP)—The RAF paid its eighth night visit of March to Germany last night, bombing the important industrial and communications center of Stuttgart in southwest Germany in a strong attack from which eleven bombers did not return, it was announced officially today.

The loss of eleven bombers on the mission indicates that a sizeable force took part in the raid. A large part of Stuttgart's population of a half-million is engaged in precision engineering, mostly in aircraft.

Only a few hours after the British bombers it showed back across the English channel, German raiders in a surprise attack, scored over London's suburbs, dropping bombs in at least one area and machine-gunning trains and other targets.

At least twelve persons were killed when the German planes rained and machine-gunned a shopping district in central London.

Two waves of raiders — twelve planes in each, flew up the Thames estuary and five planes sped out of the sun over a London suburb, machine-gunning and machine-gunning and setting fires.

Some Point Values Cut

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Buck Passed To Congress

President Declares Responsibility For Post-War Plan Rests With Congress

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U. S. Planes Blast Kiska

Heavy Damage Done To Gun Positions And Buildings At Jap Island Base

Washington, March 12.—(AP)—American bombers and fighters blasted Japanese gun positions and buildings on Kiska Island in the Aleutians, the Navy announced today, in a victory of low-level attack against the Japanese outpost last Wednesday.

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
March 12 (forecast), possible showers in east portion.

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