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British Drive Rommel From Sfax

ALLIED WARPLANES BLAST AT JAPANESE

THE WELCOME SIGN IS OUT



IN ANTICIPATION of the ultimate joining of all Allied armies in North Africa, a British and an American soldier gazed with satisfaction at a welcome sign erected in the town of Gfsan, Tunisia. Patton's men and Montgomery's March Line conquerors have already joined below El Guettar. Picture by radio from Algiers. (International Radiophoto)

Davis Boosts Corn Price For Surplus Crop Areas

Higher Ceiling Price Is Part of Program Of 'More Equitable Relationship'

Washington, April 10.—(AP)—Food Administrator Chester Davis announced today a new price control and production program including a 5 cents a bushel boost in the ceiling price of corn in the surplus producing areas and designed, he said, to bring about a "more equitable relationship" among livestock, meat and feed grain prices and to assure continued heavy production of livestock products.

RAF Raids Duisburg

London, April 10.—(AP)—Duisburg and other industrial plants in Germany's Ruhr valley were the target for royal air force bombers and incendiary bombs in the RAF's continued day and night hammering in an effort to cut off the flow of raw materials to the German war machine.

Bootleggers Drain Keg

Stewart Reports Imminent Drought Faces Washington As Demand Grows

Washington, April 10.—The great city of Washington, D. C., is afflicted by a new kind of bootlegger. The old-fashioned variety, back in prohibition days, were regarded by business folk in the capital as public benefactors while dry regulations prevailed, because they relieved the drought.

VAN S. WATSON, OF ROCKY MOUNT, DIES

Rocky Mount, April 10.—(AP)—State Senator Van S. Watson, 55, of Rocky Mount, died last night in Bennettville, S. C., from a heart attack which he suffered at dinner.

Medang Area Heavily Hit By Raiders

Assaults are Made In New Guinea Area And on Nine Bases Above Australia

(By The Associated Press) Allied warplanes poured 63,000 rounds of cannon and machine gun fire into Japanese positions in northern New Guinea and blasted nine enemy bases in the islands above Australia, General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

ANTI-INFLATION MOVES DEBATED ON HOME FRONT

Washington, April 10.—(AP)—Compulsory savings by the public and rolled back food prices bobbed up today as possible cogs in the government's machinery for carrying out President Roosevelt's new and drastic anti-inflation edict.

Chosen Rose Queen



SMILING ROYALLY—and prettily, she'll agree—Kathleen Turner accepts enthronement at Cypress Gardens, Fla., after being selected Queen of Roses. (International)

Food Parley Postponed

United Nations Group Will Meet May 18 At Hot Springs, Va.; U. S. Party Named

Washington, April 10.—(AP)—The State department said today that the United Nations food conference has been postponed until May 18, when it will open at Hot Springs, Va.

NASH DRAFT BOARD TRANSFERS KYSER TO BEVERLY HILLS

Rocky Mount, April 10.—(AP)—Kay Kysner, nationally known band leader whose name was on the Band 2 draft list from the Nash county local board No. 2, has been transferred to the Beverly Hills, Cal., draft board for induction into the Army by draft board officials today.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Colder tonight and early Sunday. Some drizzle and drizzle showers this afternoon and tonight.

Fighting General



TO EFFECT THE JUNCTION of British and American troops in Tunisia, General Sir B. L. Montgomery (above) broke through bitter Nazi rear-guard defenses after continuous attack. (International)

Nazis Flee Toward Line Near Tunis

U. S. Troops Drive Toward Second Union With British; Other European War News

(By The Associated Press) General Sir B. L. Montgomery's British eighth army captured the key port of Sfax at 8:15 a. m. today, allied headquarters announced, after seizing Mahares and Graiba in swift pursuit of the beaten German Afrika Korps. Dispatches said the victorious eighth army veterans had gained about 40 miles in 24 hours.

Sub Sinks Cargo Ship

Sinking is First Since Last Summer Off Atlantic Coast; Survivors Landed

Key West, Fla., April 10.—(AP)—The first submarine attack in months in waters off the eastern coast of the United States sank a United States merchantman early in April with a loss of 40 lives.

Hoover Urges Fight On Crime

Washington, April 10.—(AP)—J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, called on law enforcement agencies today for a "cooperative offensive" against increasing crime which, he said, threatens a "breakdown of our home front."

SCOTT SAYS FARMERS PLANTING BIG CROPS

Raleigh, April 10.—(AP)—Back from a tour of the state, Agriculture Commissioner W. Kerr Scott said today that in spite of manpower shortages, farmers were planting an unprecedented amount of food crops.

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DeGaulle Sends Pledge Note To Eisenhower

London, April 10.—(AP)—General Charles de Gaulle, leader of the Fighting French, sent a message to General Dwight D. Eisenhower, commander of the allied armies in north Africa, pledging that "the present north African struggle, the ardent good wishes of the French people go with you—with you personally and with the gallant allied armies under your leadership."

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Stocks Regain Equilibrium

New York, April 10.—(AP)—The stock market regained a portion of its equilibrium today. Improvements for favorites at the start of today's brief proceedings ran to small fractions generally.