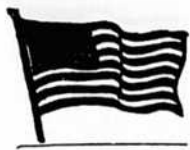


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### WHERE ALLIED BOMBERS HIT DEADLY BLOW



Berlin's Alexander Platz, pictured here, may now be a mass of twisted and charred wreckage, according to latest reports from neutral sources. The railroad station, indicated by arrow, was one of the key targets in the giant RAF raids Monday and Tuesday nights which left Hitler's capital in flames and ruin and took a toll estimated at 30,000 killed or injured. (International)

### New Revenue Bill, Passed By House, Goes On To Senate

Washington, Nov. 25.—(AP)—A new tax bill which would dip \$2,140,000,000 deeper into American pocketbooks and hoist the government income to an estimated \$43,300,000,000 a year moved over to the Senate today where its rapid approval was indicated by an unusual shortage of significant amendments. Chairman George (D., Ga.), announced the Finance Committee would open hearings Monday and try to complete them by the end of next week. The Senate itself will have to act with terrific speed to match the record of the House, which passed the bill yesterday by a standing vote of 200 to 27 after a single day's debate. A stringy draft of the \$10,300,000,000 revenue turkey ordered by the Treasury, the bill clips an average of less than \$1 from the 41,000,000 individual taxpayers, hits

corporations for \$616,000,000 additional in excess profit rates, increases postal rates in \$166,300,000, and comes down heaviest—to the extent of \$1,201,700,000—on purchases of such items of liquor, furs and jewelry. Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau huddled with leading Democrats on the committee yesterday but got little encouragement that he would receive anything more than a courteous reception when he poses the \$10,300,000,000 question again Monday morning. While Chairman George would not comment on the private conversations between Morgenthau and the Senators, he told reporters later he considered the \$2,140,000,000 bill a "considerable increase." "Until a couple of years ago we would have considered that a pretty heavy job," he said.

### Berlin Is Again Hit By Bombers

London, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Swift RAF Mosquito bombers set the air raid sirens howling in Berlin for the third successive night by stabbing at the German capital again last night as smoke still rose skyward from conflagrations set by Britain's heavy bomber fleet. The purposes of the attack, from which only one of the raiders failed to return, obviously was to harass and confuse the battered defenses of the city, which already had been burned and devastated on a scale hitherto unknown. An RAF commentator, indicated that the German capital now the most heavily bombed city in the world, would be hit as often and solidly as the weather and strategy permitted. "It is the greatest prize," he declared.

The Allied aerial offensive was kept rolling, meanwhile, as several waves of planes swept out across the channel in bright sunlight this morning in the direction of the French coast. There was no immediate indication of their targets. Only a small number of planes—no heavy bombers—engaged in offensive operations from Britain last night, but Berlin had no reason to breathe easily. Destruction was piled on destruction in this week's two mammoth attacks, but all available information suggested that methodical obliteration of the metropolis still had some distance to go. Hamburg was turned to rubble under the impact of 10,000 long tons of bombs, Hamburg, however, is far smaller in area and population than Berlin, on which 12,000 tons have fallen since the first of the year.

Generals affected include Patton, Lt. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney and Somervell, all of whom hold the permanent rank of colonel and who have been nominated for major General; Lt. General Joseph W. Stilwell, a brigadier who also has been nominated for a permanent rank of major general; and ten other general officers. With the end of the war their temporary ranks would be abolished and they would revert to their permanent grades.

### High Court Rules Upon Liquor Case

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY LYNN NISBET. Raleigh, Nov. 25.—The Supreme Court of North Carolina, as well as all other appeal tribunals, traditionally has avoided passing on questions of liquor. For that reason the high court had never declared itself specifically on the question of whether possession of liquor should be conclusive prima facie evidence that it was possessed for purposes of sale. The case of State vs. Suddreth from Caldwell county, decided Wednesday, presented this issue so squarely the court could no longer side step it. Justice Wallace Winborne wrote the opinion which in effect says that mere possession of five or six pints of whisky in a "dry" North Carolina county is not sufficient evidence that it is for purpose of sale. The opinion reverses a Caldwell County Superior Court action in which Jack Cuddeh was convicted

### Army Promotions Stayed Pending Report On Patton

Washington, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Reports of the Patton incident resounded through the ranks of the army's highest officers today. From Chief of Staff General George C. Marshall on down. Following a demand in the House for the recall of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton for slapping and berating a shell shocked private in a Sicilian hospital tent, the Senate Military Committee asked for a full report from the War Department and meantime clamped an informal hold order on the promotions of 11 other generals. The latter action, while coming close to the heart of the Patton episode, appeared to be aimed primarily at preventing—if possible—the elevation of Lt. Gen. Breton B. Somervell to chief of staff if Marshall takes command of Allied forces in the European theatre. Somervell, who heads the army's supply service, is a former WPA director for New York and a friend of Harry Hopkins, presidential advisor. It was indicated that the step promotions order would not be lifted until the successor to General Marshall has been named and a detailed War Department report on Patton has been received by the Senate.

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## Eighth Army Crosses Sangro; Americans Take Gilbert Islands

### Japs Nearly Annihilated On Islands

Americans Prepare For Further Attacks On Nearby Islands. Pearl Harbor, Nov. 25.—(AP)—In a bloody four-day battle, Americans have annihilated all but a few of the Japanese on the Gilbert islands, climaxing their conquest with the capture of Betio and its strategic airfield from where new thrusts may come soon. Betio fell to Major General Julian C. Smith's Second Marine division at dusk Tuesday; most of its 1,000 defenders dead or dying on its sandy battlefield. Even as it was overwhelmed, Marines and soldiers were ferreting out remnants of the enemy on the other two atolls, Makin and Abemama.

The Japanese fought back desperately on Betio, largest of the Laysan atolls. It was there the enemy had gathered most of his strength to try to save his airbase facilities. Only a few hours before the decisive blow, the defenders counterattacked fiercely. They not only failed but actually hurried their end, for, as a navy spokesman said, it enabled the Marines to concentrate their fire. No time was wasted by the Americans in mopping up or in constructing new defenses on the islands. It was almost certain that army engineers, coming in with assault troops, already had begun building entrenchments on Makin. Repairs probably have begun, too, on the excellent airfield at Tarawa for more blows at the Japs, possibly toward Nauru to the southwest in Marshall Islands a couple of hundred miles to the north or to Marshall Islands a couple of hundred miles to the south, again in the direction of Rabaul, again perhaps at Truk itself, 1,600 miles on west and the hub of Japan's sea might.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, musing no words about attacks which may soon look from this first central Pacific land invasion, has told newsmen they might expect attacks "wherever the Japs are."

### Hints Given To Taxpayers By Babson

Severe Levies Aid Young People More; Tax Analysis Urged. BY ROGER W. BABSON. Copyright 1943, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc. Babson Park, Mass., Nov. 25.—First, let me say a word to young businessmen who claim that they have not the opportunity of making a fortune with their elders' had. They claim that their age the money which their elders were permitted to save for a business, not gift is now taken away by the government in the form of taxes. Let me say this is merely an alibi for laziness, inefficiency and extravagant ideas. Severe Taxes Benefit Young People. Let us assume a man with a salary of \$3,000 has a wife and two children. His Federal tax would be about \$250. It is true that he has this much less money to save or invest toward buying an interest in some business. On the other hand, although the net income, after taxes, of the young executive is reduced by a tax of about 12 percent, his em-

### ITALIAN TURKEY, AMERICAN STYLE



SOUNDS LIKE an international complication but a U. S. air service group is having Italian turkey American style for Thanksgiving. The old American custom was made possible when 1,200 big birds were rounded up. Here Sgt. Harold Koehn, Cedar Rapids, Ia., is shown busy with the preliminaries. U. S. Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International)

### First Dent In German Winter Line

Nazis' Prior Claim Of Cities Captured Discounted by Reds. Allied Headquarters, Algiers, Nov. 25.—(AP)—General Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth Army has battered its way across the swollen Sangro river, the toughest obstacle yet encountered in the march up the face of the Italian peninsula, in the face of ferocious fire and thereby has cracked a piece of Adolf Hitler's winter defense line. Allied headquarters announced today. A bridgehead 9,000 yards wide and 2,000 yards deep has been totally established and held against furious counterattacks, it was stated.

In this first full scale dent caused by Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's troops in the so-called winter defense line set up by the Germans, the enemy put up its strongest resistance. Reports reaching headquarters said Nazi prisoners said they had been ordered to hold their positions at all costs. The onslaught across the river on a front of a little more than five miles was made "during the past few days," official reports said. Veteran German forces immediately began slashing back and bloody fighting raged as the British slowly forced the enemy back a distance of nearly one and a half miles from the north-west banks of the flooded stream. The bridgehead was established in the lowland area near the river mouth on the Adriatic and includes the sites of one railroad trestle and a station would insure a steady stream of reinforcements and supplies for the troops holding the newly won ground. The trench across the Sangro was gained in a hot area which still was overlooked by enemy gun positions in the hilly areas a short distance beyond the river. General Montgomery appeared likely to be confronted with steadily increasing resistance as the enemy gathered his forces to prevent a deeper penetration. The Eighth Army's achievement in blasting across the Sangro was one of the most spectacular of the entire campaign. A military commentator said "it was accomplished in the face of four months' rain, mud, a very swollen river, and very determined Germans. Only artillery exchanges and patrol clashes were reported from the Fifth Army front, where it was still raining hard.

### Drive By Germans On Kiev Is Halted By Russian Forces

Bloody Fighting as Strong Resistance Offered by Germans. London, Nov. 25.—(AP)—German infantry, tanks and planes still battered furiously today against a stiffening Red army line 45 miles west of Kiev as a Russian communique, first in 12 days to indicate that Field Marshal Fritz von Manstein's desperate drive to recapture the Ukrainian capital has been halted, declared. "All attempts of the Germans to penetrate our defenses met with failures. Our gunners, infantry and tankmen inflicted heavy losses on the Germans and we improved our positions."

Earlier, the Berlin radio had claimed the capture of Brusilov, midway between Zhitomir and Kiev, and Chernukhov, a railroad town 13 miles north of Zhitomir, while the Russians have admitted the loss of some towns and villages in this sector of the Kiev bulge, today's bulletin indicated the German drive had been halted short of those two cities. The Russians said they killed 1,500 Germans and destroyed 32 tanks in repelling yesterday's attacks in the Kiev area, while accounting for an additional 4,000 Nazis and 30 tanks in other actions, which extended from Gomel in the north to the lower end of the Dniester river bend. Whether von Manstein had exhausted his strength in the bitter fighting in the past twelve days was problematical, but previous reports had said he had been ordered to break the Russian lines before Kiev at all costs. Indicators that he had been halted halfway to Kiev led to the belief that General Nikolai Vatutin, whose forces reportedly were intact, might now try to resume his offensive toward the Polish border.

### Warlick May Enter Race For Senate

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY LYNN NISBET. Raleigh, Nov. 25.—Stories emanating from Salisbury, where Judge Wilson Warlick is holding court this week, indicate that the Catawba county jurist cannot be counted out of the State political campaign. He is incorrectly quoted as saying he is keenly interested in the senatorial seat. Judge Warlick, after considerable trial-ballooning publicity instigated by his friends, announced last spring that he would be a candidate for governor. A few weeks later he withdrew from that race. When Bob Reynolds stated that (Continued on Page Four)

### Four Jap Warships Sunk, One Damaged Near Rabaul

Southwest Pacific Allied Headquarters, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Gun blazing in the first dark hours of America's Thanksgiving Day, swift U. S. warships all but wiped out six enemy destroyers today during a two-hour running battle which extended to within 90 miles of Rabaul, Japanese naval and air fortress. Moving boldly near the entrance of St. George's channel, whose waters wash New Britain and New Ireland, the American destroyers sank four of the Japanese ships. A fifth was damaged but managed to escape while the other survivor into the black tropical night. Admiral William F. Halsey's spokesman said the decisive enemy defeat, which the outnumbered American units inflicted through loss to themselves, thwarted an attempt to remove key personnel from the often-bombed Buka island on the northern tip of Allied invaded Bougainville in the Solomons. (Such a significant move could mean that Japan, hard pressed from the invaded Gilberts to the jungles of northeastern New Guinea along her outpost island defenses, may be preparing to pull out of her last holdings in the Solomons, Buka, Bougainville, Choiseul and the Shortlands.) On land, sea and in the air the northern Solomons operations favored the Allies. Bougainville's long inoperative airfields southeast of the American beachhead were ripped by 52 more tons of aerial explosives and Betio was pounded by 44 tons.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair and continued cold to night and Friday.