

Nazis Open Dam To Halt Yanks

Liquor Bill Reported As Being Ready

Referendum Act To Be Submitted This Coming Week

Raleigh, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A speaker's bill to require defendants regarding jury trials in Union county...

Another speaker's bill would abolish the elective offices of notary public...

Only local measures were considered today. Meanwhile, the liquor referendum bill...

The bill, which is one of the recommendations of Governor Cherry...

Dr. Meadows' Defense Will Begin Monday

Greenville, Feb. 10.—(AP)—With an estimated sixty witnesses listed, the defense was scheduled to begin Monday...

The State conducted a brief re-examination of the auditor, during which it completed its preliminary introduction of figures in the Widhouse audit...

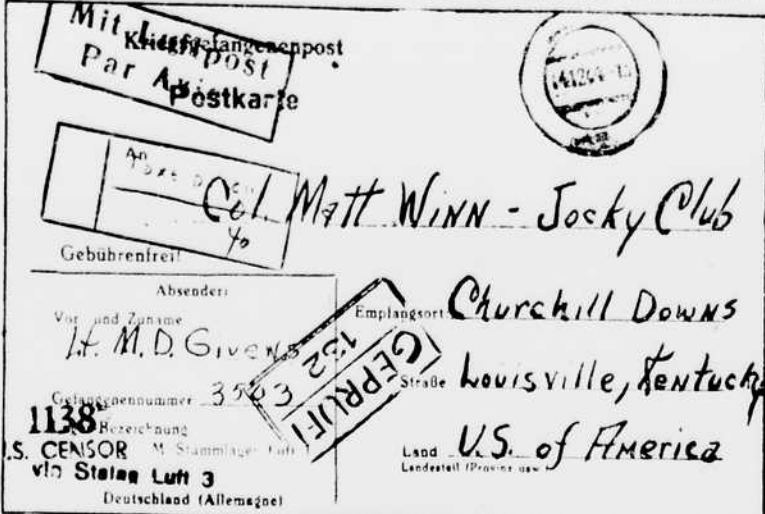
EIGHT PASSENGERS INJURED IN WRECK

Wilmington, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Eight passengers were slightly injured when the Atlantic Coast Line's Southland train was derailed...

Prospects For Wallace Are Slightly Brighter

Washington, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A rift occurred today in the clouded outlook for legislation affecting the government future of former Vice-President Henry Wallace.

GI CAPTIVES MAKE POSTWAR PLANS



Dear Sir: I am writing on behalf of myself and four other fellow Kentuckians for reservations to the coming Derby. We expect to be home for that gala event...

A GROUP OF YANK CAPTIVES in a Nazi prison camp sent the letter reproduced above to Col. Matt Winn...

Hearings Recessed Upon Service Bill, With Vote Far Off

"Immediate Action" Asked by President Is Not Likely Now

Washington, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The Senate Military Committee called a three-day recess today in its consideration of limited national service legislation...

The secretary of war, the navy secretary, the war manpower commissioner, the selective service director, the War Production Board chairman...

Chairman Thomas, Utah Democrat, has said repeatedly that the only real arguments for the bill are the betterment of morale and the uncertainty of future war developments.

Several committee members, including Senator (D) Maney, Democrat, Wyoming, favor continuing the voluntary placement system now being operated under War Manpower Commission guidance.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and slightly warmer tonight; Sunday cloudy and colder.

May End War By Mere Peace Declaration

London, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A means of ending the war through a declaration of peace, if the Germans fail to surrender, may be under consideration at the big three conference...

Red Army Prepares To Storm Koenigsberg From All Sides

Zhukov Is Seeking Jumping Off Place For Taking Berlin

London, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Red army troops have captured Ebling, in East Prussia, Marshal Stalin announced in an order of the day today.

London, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The Red army closed toward Koenigsberg today, apparently preparing to storm that beleaguered East Prussian capital from all directions...

Moscow accounts said that Ebling, farther west, was receiving a terrible pounding from big Russian guns drawn up around the encircled Nazi garrison...

The Germans have reported the Russians are due east of Berlin, and the slaying of north-south communications between Kues-trin, Frankfurt and Fuerstenberg...

Zhukov's troops, according to the enemy, were passed back further to the Oder from Fuerstenberg and Kues-trin, but AP Correspondent Eddy Gilmore in Moscow declared that Zhukov was engaged in re-grouping for position...

There were indications that Russian troops along the Oder might be reinforced soon as the enemy garrisons at Koenigsberg, Ebling, Poznan, Schneidemuhl, Arnswalde and Butschke continued losing strength...

The Germans reported that the Russians had thrown in strong forces on the newly-active Breslau-Liegnitz-Glogau front and had rolled 35 miles west of Breslau in Silesia.

Still Another Shake-Up For Tokyo Cabinet

(By The Associated Press.) The Japanese cabinet has been reshuffled in response to continuing criticism, the Domei news agency reported today...

The dispatch was beamed to occupied Asia and recorded by the Federal Communications Commission.

A change in the cabinet comes on the heels of months-long criticism of Japan's war effort, which has increased with each of the continuing Japanese reverses...

Announcement of partial reshuffling of Koiso's cabinet coincided with Tokyo admissions that the United States conquest of the Philippines is interfering with the flow of vital raw materials...

Enka Union Head Holds Injunction Bars His Workers

Asheville, Feb. 10.—(AP)—C. E. Earnhardt, first vice-president of the United Textile Workers of America (AFL), said shortly before noon today that his union would not return to work at the American Enka Corporation to meet a noon deadline...

Three thousand workers have been on strike at the rayon plant since Thursday.

The restraining order obtained by the company enjoined the union from negotiating the dispute with the company.

A show-cause hearing will be held in chambers before Judge Webb in Shelby February 13.

If the union cannot negotiate, Earnhardt said, then the dispute cannot be settled.

Canadians Near Kleve In Big Push

U. S. First Army At Huge River Lake; Nazi Reserves Used

Paris, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Canadian first army troops, bursting through the main concrete belt of the Siegfried line in the Reichswald, struck today to within two and a half miles of Kleve...

Other units bottled in the Rhine town of Millingen, six miles northwest of Kleve, in the army's swift developing thrust to slice behind the Rhine, and the rich Ruhr industrial area.

Waters of the lower River, along which the American ninth army is arrayed, rose a foot and a half in an hour at some points as the Germans opened flood gates...

The United States first army upstream reached one side of the great dam today and prepared to go on across to finish its capture.

The Germans had opened the valve on the north side of the 1,686-foot-long structure, whose pent-up power, if released all at once, might send an 18-foot tide storming down the Roer valley.

Still farther south, United States third army troops fought within three-quarters of a mile of the Siegfried prize of Pruem, and scored advances today of up to a mile north-east and south-west of the road hub.

German reinforcements were flung against the Canadian first army push, which apparently had breached completely the main pillbox line protecting Kleve.

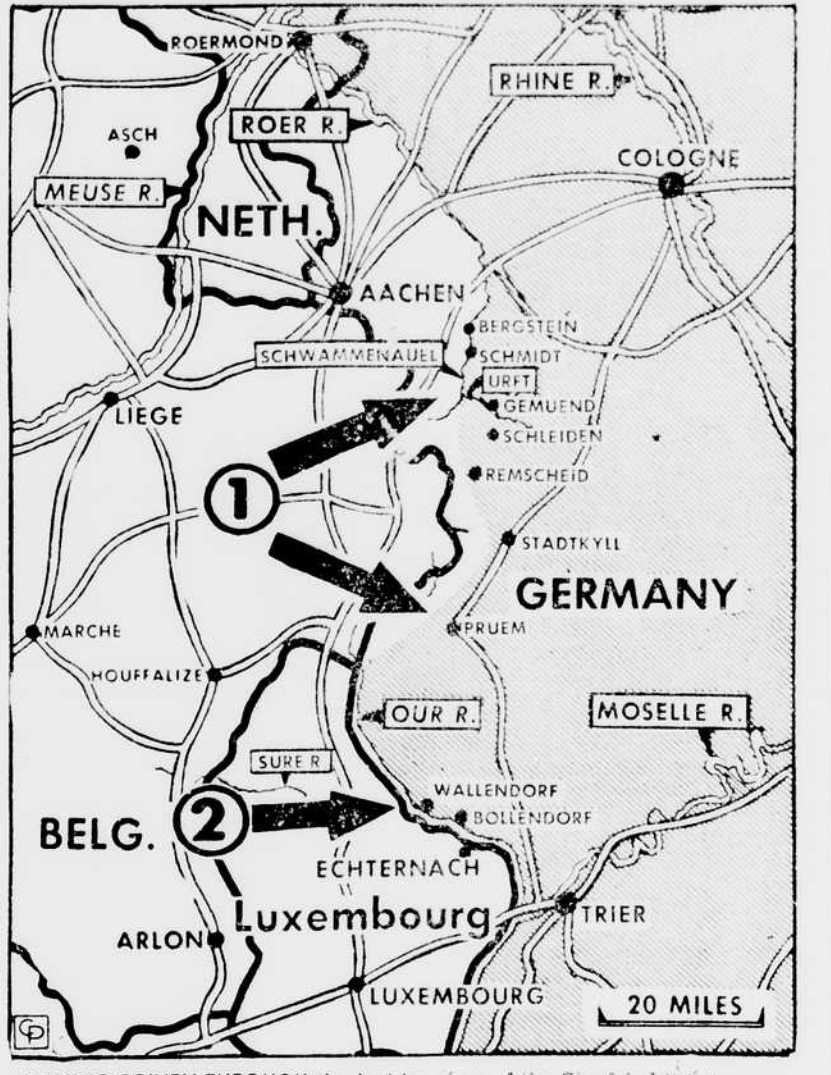
Elliot Dog Case "Serious Mistake" And "Unjustified"

Washington, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Colonel Elliott Roosevelt's dog Blaze got his now celebrated priority rider across the country just as a favor to the colonel's sister, Mrs. Anna Boettiger.

That was the report from Senator Maybank, South Carolina Democrat, today, after Major General H. L. George, chief of the air transport command, testified before a Senate military committee today.

General George told the committee the whole business was a "serious mistake," which "cannot be justified."

HAMMERING AT ROER RIVER DAMS



HAVING DRIVEN THROUGH the last barriers of the Siegfried line to capture the town of Schmidt, just south of Aachen, the U. S. 1st Army forces are hammering at the vital Roer river dams and reservoirs...

Desperate Struggle By The Japs Delays Conquest Of Manila

Pincers Closing In On Southern Section Of Capital, However.

Manila, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Mined streets and Japanese mortars firing from the upper floors of office buildings slowed American infantrymen today in their stubbornly resisting drive through the heart of areas south of the Pasig river.

It was clear the desperate and trapped Japanese would fight long and bitterly in defense of the flame-blackened intra-muros district, through which the Yanks must pass to reach the dock area from their amphibious Pasig river crossing.

General Douglas MacArthur, in his communique today, described the fighting as of the "fiercest," and said the enemy was set for a "final stand."

While the eleventh airborne division pressed the southern side of a three-way trap, five battalions of the 148th and 129th infantry regiments of the 37th division gained 2,000 yards from the Pasig as they headed into the strongly defended intra-muros (walled city) and a highly congested and residential area.

Reinforced concrete pillboxes and land mines were hazards.

From the second floors of office buildings, the Japanese poured down deadly mortar and machine gun fire. The enemy used the mortars with good effect, and, of course, considerable damage to buildings.

Fires still burned in three sections of Manila yesterday, but seemed to be diminishing.

The Japanese tried to launch a large load of reinforcement troops along the Tondo waterfront just north of the Pasig river mouth, but these were wiped out.

Caring for a large number of hungry civilians and liberated internees is not easing the army's task of clearing Manila. Transportation facilities are still insufficient to handle the large movement of people. The food situation for civilians is acute.

Fortresses Hit Nazi Fuel Depot And U-Boat Pens

London, Feb. 10.—(AP)—U. S. Flying Fortresses attacked a German fuel depot at Duellmen, south-west of Munster, today and submarine pens at Himmaden on the Netherlands coast. Only 150 heavy bombers and approximately 130 fighters participated in both operations.

Himmaden, which has been bombed four times in the past week, is one of the most active submarine bases the Nazis have left on the European coast.

Moran in a ten-mile drive down the west coast of the historic peninsula, to which many Japanese are believed to have fled.

Superforts Blast Tokyo In One Of Biggest Raids

21st Bomber Command Headquarters, Guam, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A powerful force of B-29 Superfortresses, probably the largest ever to hit Japan, bombed Tokyo today in "rare good weather."

B-29 pilots returning home radioed that they had enjoyed "excellent results."

Tokyo broadcast said "approximately ninety" Superfortresses, striking in five waves in the early afternoon (Japanese time), caused "some damage to ground installations."

The raid, the 52nd Superfort attack on Japan, was first announced by the 20th Air Force in Washington. This was the fifth mass B-29 strike at the enemy's home islands in February.

Both "good weather" and the report of good results from returning planes while still in flight are "very unusual," unofficial headquarters spokesmen said.

Results of such strikes usually are not reported until photographs have been examined after the Superforts have returned to their Marianas bases. Hence, the bombardiers are believed to have been "certain of devastating hits" today.

The fourth force making this strike was at least as large as any formation of B-29s ever sent over Honshu, main island of Japan, and probably was larger.

The precise target was not identified, but was described as an industrial objective of the Tokyo area of Honshu.