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THE AMERICANS BEAT GERMAN ATTACKS

Chester Davis Head Of New Food Agency

Production Body Created WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Roosevelt announced today the creation in the Agriculture Department of an administration of food production and distribution to be headed by Chester C. Davis, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and former director of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.



Make Fresh Progress in Campaign Against City

German Donets Attacks Slacken MOSCOW—(AP)—The Red Army's dogged drive through slush, ice and mud toward Smolensk has made fresh headway in three directions and German attacks in an effort to control the northern Donets River Valley are slackening after their setbacks at the hands of the Soviet defenders, the Russians said today.



FIRST RADIOPHOTO FROM ALGIERS SHOWS GUN CREW—This picture of a U. S. gun crew was made during the Allied drive on Gafsa March 17-18 and is one of the first transmitted by a newly-opened U. S. Army Signal Corps radiophoto circuit linking Algiers and the War Department at Washington. Transmission time from Algiers to Washington was seven minutes.

Stop Armored Assaults In Gafsa Sector

Local Gains Made in Maknassy Area; Artillery Duels in Mareth Battle By EDWARD KENNEDY ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA—(AP)—United States troops repulsed heavy Nazi armored attacks in the Gafsa sector and made local gains in the Maknassy area of the central Tunisian front while the battle of the Mareth Line dwindled to artillery dueling after four days of bitter fighting. It was announced today.

Doughton Opens Ruml Plan Attack

Denounces Skip-a-Year Tax Program as 'Immoral and Unsound' WASHINGTON—(AP)—Lanky, 79-year-old Chairman Doughton, Democrat, North Carolina, of the Ways and Means Committee opened debate on pay-as-you-go tax legislation today with a denunciation of the Ruml skip-a-year plan as a "tax heresy"—a proposition "immoral and unsound."

Butchers Dispersed

Mill About Meek Truck in New York NEW YORK—(AP)—About 2,000 angry retail butchers mobbed about a meat truck for several hours today trying for "a fair share" of the commodity and to collect money on horseback dispersed them. The truck, owned by H. C. Bock, had been loaded in Brooklyn market when the butchers gathered around it.

Stimson Sees Progress In Tunisia But Heavy Casualties Expected

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary of War Stimson today predicted favorable progress in the Tunisian campaign, but said it would be paid for with heavy casualties.

Planes Raid Jap Lines

MacArthur's 'Flying Artillery' Strikes ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA—(AP)—General MacArthur's "Flying Artillery" made 44 bombing and strafing runs over Japanese lines at Mubo yesterday, firing 20,000 rounds from cannons and machine-guns into enemy positions guarding the approaches to the Japanese New Guinea base at Salamaua, Allied Headquarters announced today.

American Raid Cripples Base

UNITED STATES EIGHTH AIR FORCE—(AP)—The United States Flying Fortress-Labrador raid on the Vespucius submarine and shipping yards last Thursday "has crippled that base," said Gen. Stimson, chief of the Eighth Bomber Command, said today.

Pearl Harbor Blow Film Picked as Japan's Best

NEW YORK—(AP)—The Japanese have selected a motion picture about the attack on Pearl Harbor as the best film of 1942, the T. O. radio said today.

Workers Leave Shipyard Jobs

Several Thousand Walk Out At Bethlehem Steel Plant BALTIMORE—(AP)—Officials of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America (CIO) reported today that several thousand workers walked off their jobs at the big Key Highway Ship Repair Yard of the Bethlehem Steel Corp.

Named Chief Of Guiana

French Appointment Announced ALGIERS—(AP)—General Henri Giraud, high commissioner for French North Africa, has appointed Jean Rapenne, an experienced French colonial administrator, as Governor of French Guiana, the French colony in South America which severed ties with Vichy on March 16 and declared its adherence to the Allied cause.

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Allied Shipping Fleets Large

LONDON—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill declared today that the United Nations "have almost substantially larger fleets than they had at the worst moment in the U-boat war and this improvement is continuing."

German Attacks on Slav Guerrillas Launched

LONDON—(AP)—The Cairo correspondent of the Independent French news agency reported today that German troops have launched a series of strong attacks against the Yugoslav guerrilla forces of the Great Drava Mountains in eastern Serbia and Bosnia.

Patton Hits The Ground

Veteran Campaigner In Air Raids By HAROLD V. BOVILL WITH U. S. FORCES IN NORTH AFRICA, Gen. George S. Patton Jr. has been seen in the air over the Tunisian front, the veteran campaigner is being seen in the air over the Tunisian front, the veteran campaigner is being seen in the air over the Tunisian front.

Pope Has Slight Attack of Flu

BERN, Switzerland—(AP)—A Vatican City dispatch to the newspaper Corriere della Sera said today that Pope Pius XII has a slight attack of influenza.

Albert N. Fall's Wife Succumbs

EL PASO, Tex.—(AP)—Mrs. Albert N. Fall, wife of the former Secretary of Interior in the Harding Cabinet, died today. She was 79.

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