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## Some Too Fat; Some Too Short For War

By OLF W. CLEMENTS  
(Substituting for Hal Boyle)  
SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA  
—Tales from the South Seas:  
Some of the boys are still chuckling over the first air raid Sgt. Michael Ratchewski of Chicago underwent. Ratchewski, who weighs better than 300 pounds, had started a fistole but did not have it finished when the alarm sounded. Somehow he managed to cram his big frame inside the small hole, but when the air dropped he couldn't get out. It took six men several minutes to pull him free.

Almost the same thing happened to one of the boys, Alfred Diehl, an Army nurse from Allentown, Pa. Miss Diehl, slightly less than five feet tall, jumped into a deep hole with other nurses. When the raid was over and other nurses clambered out, leaving Miss Diehl in the hole, unable to scale the high wall. It was an hour later that her cries were heard and she was rescued.

Pvt. James P. Whitey of Southway, Mich. showed a lieutenant had two full rounds in a live-hole for him in the Owen Stanley Mountains. Wright and several other air force men were watching him when a Jap air raid became imminent. The lieutenant had to continue to dig holes and the only two men to dig holes were the coloreds. They scurried over the ditches and finished the hole in time for the GIs to jump in as Jap bombers came over.

It's a bit strange in the South Seas, where the boys are always a bit fat and a bit short. But it's always a bit strange in the South Seas. The boys are always a bit fat and a bit short. But it's always a bit strange in the South Seas.

**Tax "Shopping Around" Is Okay**  
NEW YORK (AP)—Tax "shopping" around by taxpayers to get the lowest possible rate on their income tax payments may be all right, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

**Return This Newspaper For Front Line Service**  
The paper on which this message is printed today is generally worth the weight in gold to the war effort.

## Contempt Citation Against Daniels Is Recommended

### Senate Group Takes Action On Refusal To Answer REA Probe Queries

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Senate agriculture subcommittee voted unanimously today to recommend citation of Jonathan W. Daniels, administrative assistant to President Roosevelt, for contempt of the Senate for refusing to answer questions in an official investigation of the Rural Electrification Administration.



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The recommendation goes to the full committee, which is expected to vote on it next week. After a two-hour closed session of the subcommittee, Chairman Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, told reporters he would make a report to the full committee recommending that action be taken to bring Mr. Daniels before the bar of the Senate to show cause why he should not be adjudged in contempt.

Daniels has refused to supply the subcommittee with information it requested, claiming that it is confidential between the President and himself, and that it would not serve the public interest.

Mr. Daniels and the subcommittee were in a heated argument during the first ever undertaken by either House of Congress against an executive officer.

**High Court Denies Petition For Lepke**  
WASHINGTON (AP)—The Supreme Court rejected today a last-minute legal maneuver by counsel for Louis (Lepke) Buchalter to save the one-time chief of Murder, Inc. from execution tonight.

**Nazis Flooding Holland Areas**  
LONDON (AP)—The German army is flooding extensive areas of South Holland and Zeeland with water as an anti-aircraft measure. The Dutch army said today that Dutch farmers were forced, under threat of arrest, to work with the evacuation and the transport of the equipment of German troops moving into the area.

## Nazis Stab Weakly At Beachhead

### Fighting Slowed By Bad Weather

By RICHARD G. MASSOCCO  
A L I E D HEADQUARTERS NEWS, NAPLES (AP)  
Three small German tanks attacked the beachhead below Rome were smashed yesterday and Thursday as the Nazis continued to stab weakly at the Allied lines after the failure of their latest all-out offensive, headquarters announced today.

A tank assault against American troops along the Cisterna-Monte Mario road Thursday was beaten back by antitank fire and three tanks were destroyed. Two strong enemy patrols probing British positions around Caserta were dispersed and infiltration attempts in the Mofetta River area also failed, said British troops.

Unfavorable weather curtailed ground operations on all the fronts, a communiqué said, with action in the Cassino area limited to "limited patrolling and excursions of the 15th British Army." Allied officers estimate that at least five Nazi divisions were used in the recent costly offensive against the beachhead.

**Wild Animals Make Escape**  
HUNGARY (AP)—Nazi soldiers in the A.G. Kell Group of the 1st SS Panzer Division captured a wild animal, possibly a bear, in the mountains of the Carpathians. The animal was captured in a trap set by the soldiers.

**Boys Urged To Join Program**  
WASHINGTON (AP)—Presidential Commissioner for Government Service today urged that Government service be held out to 17-year-olds as the best possible opportunity for them to serve their country.

**Free Japan Movement**  
In North China Reported  
The Free Japan Movement in North China reported today in the news. The movement is a patriotic movement that aims to free China from Japanese occupation.



MOVIES' BEST DISPLAY OSCARS—Paul Lukas, 48, and Jennifer Jones, 24, display their "Oscar" awards for the best acting performances in movies of 1943. Specifically, Lukas' award was for his role in the anti-Nazi "Watch on the Rhine" and Miss Jones' for her role as the peasant girl in "The Song of Bernadette." The awards were made at Hollywood and by coincidence, on the 24th birthday of Miss Jones.

## U.S. Chilly To Argentina

WASHINGTON (AP)—United States Ambassador Norman Armour has been instructed to refrain from entering official relations with the Farrell regime in Argentina pending developments.

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## Yanks In First Assault Upon Nazi Capital

### Heavy Raid On Germany Made, With One Formation Hitting Berlin

LONDON (AP)—U. S. Army Headquarters announced today that American heavy bombers attacked targets in eastern Germany and that one formation "reported attacking a target in the Berlin district."

The headquarter's announcement telling of the attack on the German capital for the first time by American bombers said:

"Formations of heavy bombers today attacked targets in eastern Germany. One formation reported attacking a target in the Berlin district. The flight was made through difficult flying conditions with clouds often as high as 30,000 feet."

**Creep On In Admiralties**  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—Reinforced American invaders of Los Negros in the Admiralty Islands are inching forward a mile and three-quarters of an island against Japanese bitterly resisting from ridge positions.

**Swiss Treason Sentences Given**  
LONDON (AP)—A Swiss broadcast said that a major of the Swiss Interleak Motorized Division had been sentenced to death and four other Swiss had received prison sentences for treason.

**British Capture Burma Positions**  
NEW DELHI (AP)—British troops captured Japanese positions today in the mountains near the town of Bhamo in Burma.

**Fleet Transfer Report Surprise To Badoglio**  
SOMEWHERE IN ITALY—President Roosevelt's statement that the part of the Italian fleet had been turned over to Russia.

## Finn To Give Answer To Red Peace Terms

STOCKHOLM (AP)—The Swedish newspaper reported today that the Finnish Government was still debating its reply to Russia, but in answering the 10th peace would be added that it was understood that the Finnish Government would be handling the matter in Stockholm soon with negotiations would be handled in Helsinki.

WEATHER  
Showers and warmer tonight. Sunday, clearing and colder.  
Today's Temperatures: 72-78  
Forecast: Partly cloudy, 72-78  
Sunset Today: 7:30  
Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:30