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ALLIED PARATROOPS LANDING IN TUNISIA

War at Turning Point-FDR Japan Acknowledges Loss of SEIZE KEY AIR

FIX DATES FOR 18-YEAR-OLDS' **REGISTRATION**

Washington — (AP) — President Roosevelt fixed three separate registration periods today for youths who have reached or will reach their 18th birthdays in the last half of

By proclamation, he set the week Young men who reached that age

in September and October will register in the following week and those who became 18 in November and December will register in the week starting December 26 and closing December 31. Others Register on Birthdays

Mr. Roosevelt also provided for continuous registration on their birthdays of youths who become 18 on or after next January 1. If the birthday falls on a Sunday or holiday, they must register the next

This will be the sixth draft registration. The last, on June 30th covered young men who already were 18 or 19 and those who had become 20 since the preceding regis-Mr. Roosevelt's proclamation said

the new registration and the others, which had been held were "advisable to insure victory, final and complete, over the enemies of the United States,"

place simultaneously in the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, with daily registration hours fixed for 9 a.m. to 5 p. m., (local

Permit Late Registrations Late registrations will be permit-

ted for those unable to present themselves during the stated periods because of circumstances beyond: their control. The chief executive asked that all employers give their workers suffi-

cient time off to complete their reg-Selective service headquarters revealed today that local boards had

been instructed to reclassify all registrants heretofore deferred because of conviction of crimes. Curb Such Deferments No more deferments are to be

made on this ground unless the registrants "are completely disqualified morally and are not eligible for a waiver under the new army standards," the boards were told.

Funeral Here Thursday for Ewald R. Otto, 51

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at the Baker chapel for Ewald R. Otto, 51, of 1951 Eighth street south, who died early Tuesday morning. The Rev. E. G. Kuechle will officiate. Following the service here the body will be taken to Eau Claire for burial in the Northside cemetery. Mr. Otto was born in Eau Claire

on April 3, 1891, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Otto, and was married there to Mabel Madson on November 12, 1914. He came to the city 14 months ago to be employed as superintendent of the machine shop at the Consolidated Water Power and Paper company. Surviving relatives include his

mother of Eau Claire; his widow; five sons, Rolland and Clarence of Gerald, all at home; three daughters. Mrs. Ray Schmiedlin of Brillion, Wis., Marian of Eau Claire and Myrna Jean at home; one brother, Ernest, and one sister, Mrs. Christ Hotvedt, both of Eau Claire, and two grandchildren.

Friends may pay their respects at the Baker mortuary until time for

Buna but their air force has re-em-

ground units, now directed in the

pushing on toward the coast from

disclosed.

30 Miles from Objective

Jap Airforce Attempts to

forces continue to fall back toward along the coast.

Stem Allied Drive on Buna

erged in an effort to harass allied better than they gave as American

columns closing relentlessly on that B-25 medium bombers, P-40 fighters

Papuan base, today's communique and attack planes twice swept over

field by General MacArthur, were Set Merchant Ship Afire

Southerners Continue to Filibuster Against Anti-Poll Tax Measure

Washington—(P)—The senate cleared away today some of the parliamentary underbrush which had thwarted administration efforts to bring up an anti-poll tax bill only to find a filibuster nurtured by southern members still blooming hardily.

It quoted reports in Stockholm

Florence, Wis.—(P)— State Con-

Campbellsport, was killed today as

They circled around and came up-

Reif questioned him about the shoot-

ing. Sanders inspected the car.

Companion Uninjured

By a vote of 39 to 21, the chamber gave final approval to the journal summary of its Monday proceed-December 17 for draft registration had prevented Democratic Leader Nazi Fleet Units ings, objections to which yesterday of those who became 18 in July and Barkley of Kentucky from making August.

Barkley of Kentucky from making a motion to take up the disputed Reported Bound

Debate Barkley Motion

Barkley then moved immediate consideration of the bill, abandoning his effort to make such a proposal of the German fleet have left their tion. at a time when it was not debatable. Because the senate recessed yes-

terday instead of adjourning, Vice attempts to cut the allies' supply President Wallace the presiding of- lines to the new North African ficer, ruled that the motion could be battle zone, a Stockholm dispatch debated. Senator Doxey (D-Miss.) to the National Zeitung of Base! immediately launched into a lengthy said today. explanation of a time-killing point of order he expected to raise. Southerners who are opposing the stationed in Norway were rushed

bill, approved in somewhat different to bases in Italy to take part in form by the house, said they expect- the battle of North Africa. ed to debate Barkley's motion "sev-Enough Votes for Adoption

There appeared little doubt the majority leader had sufficient suponce it could be brought to a vote. ternoon, American headquarters and theater. Only after that could any move be nounced tonight. made to invoke the cloture rule to limit debate.

pponents of the bill, which would abolish poll tax collections as a voting qualification, decided today at an informal caucus to get their views before the country in a formal speech in the senate by one of their number as soon as possible.

Senator Connally (D-Tex.) said as OFFICER SLAIN could be dispensed with, the south ern opponents of the measure wanted to make their views clear to offset charges that they were carrying on a petty filibuster. "Fundamental Issues Involved

"Some fundamental issues are involved in this fight," Connally told they heard in the woods.

reporters. "If the country knew what they were, I think we would be supported in our stand."

The southerners, using every pariamentary device, have prevented for five legislative sessions consideration of a motion to take up the the controversial bill.

McKellar Denounces Barkley It seemed yesterday as if a bitter cleavage was about to split the Democratic ranks as Senator McKellar of Tennessee shouted his indignation at Barkley's action in ordering the arrest of eight absent members, including McKellar, to provide a quorum last Saturday.

McKellar turning toward Barkley, denounced the procedure as "a him, dodging from tree to tree. shocking performance" and said he had never heard of subjecting a senator to "the indignity of arrest." He brought his speech to a climax

by telling the senate he was withdrawing his endorsement of Barkley for appointment to the supreme

Bayfield Co. Farmer Has 7 Sons in Service

Ashland, Wis. -(P)- When Raymond Verville, of Mason, reported for induction into the army with the Bayfield county November Eau Claire, Richard, Charles and contingent he became the seventh son of Nick Verville, a farmer, to

enter the armed services. Raymond's brothers in service are Morris, Walter, Matt. Stanley, Howard and George.

Two other Verville boys at home plan to enter the service, one of whom is scheduled to leave with Length of War Depends the December contingent of draft-

But the emperor's airmen got

the enemy airfield at Lae, northwest

Zero that attempted interception.

on Us Says First Lady Washington—(AP)—Mrs. Franklin

Iron Mountain.

the state line.

Notify Michigan Police

charge of the Iron Mountain post,

began a search on the Michigan side

of the border. Peace officers from

D. Roosevelt told reporters today that her trip to England had conthat her trip to England had convinced her that if American citizens could only realize that the length of the war will depend large- time power to suspend tariff and ly on what they do "we might put immigration regulations developed General MacArthur's Headquar- | lied ground units Monday in the ters, Australia — (P) — Japanese Buna area and sank two trawlers fort a great deal more into our war ef- today into a potential major battle

Mrs. Roosevelt's return was an- gress and the administration's first nounced by the White House yes- test of strength since the Nov. 3

Asked for examples of what GOP Seeks to Block Action Americans could do, she said giving up non-essentials for one thing. block consideration of the measure along the coast from Buna and de- Also if women were willing to do a this year gathered headway as the Latest reports from the New stroyed seven bombers and seven great deal more work, there could house ways and means committee Guinea front said advanced allied fighters on the ground and one be relieved more manpower for war called several top-ranking governindustry and the armed services.

Heavy bombers of the southwest PRISONER OF WAR

Awala, only 30 trail miles from Pacific command again carried the Kenosha. Wis.—(#)—Mr. and were War Production Chief Donald tariff and immigration laws. Buna, without meeting serious opposition.

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BUT 'GIGANTIC JOB' REMAINS, NATION WARNED

presented in a radio speech to the the American triumph. New York Herald Tribune's annual forum, with cautious phrases. He said it would continue to be an upfor Mediterranean hill fight-"all the way"-that there could be "no coasting to victory," and that it was no time for exulta-Bern, Switzerland —(A)— Units

"There is no time now," Mr. Norwegian bases with the probable Roosevelt said, "for anything but intention of participating in axis fighting and working to win."

Hails Big Naval Victory

He described the encounter between Japanese and American wargreat battles of our history." At a Japan's reverse in the vital strugtnat a few days ago Nazi air forces press conference earlier he had said gle for the Solomons bases by that the engagement, in which the claiming to have struck even heavinavy listed enemy losses at 23 ves- er blows to the American squadsels against two of our light cruis- rons than the U.S. navy has an-London -(P)- United States ers and half a dozen destroyers, heavy bombers, both Flying Fort- represented a major victory.

It was the first time he had used nesses and Liberators, raided the German bases of Lorient and La the word "major" in referring to a Japanese cruiser and three deport to force adoption of its motion, Pallice on the French coast this af- any of the battles in the Pacific stroyers sunk and seven transports

Despite this crushing blow admin-The brief communique did not istered to a numerically superior sunk or damaged—compared with give the results of the attacks, but Japanese fleet, the president said in his speech that a "gigantic 10b" remained to be done. He said battle lines stretching from Kiska to Murmansk and from Tunisia to Guadalcanal would lengthen as our forces

Assails Loose Talk

e considered politically-inspired gagement yet to be reported. criticism of the war effort, the presdent said that persons without acservation Officer Al Reif, 33, of ably speak from guesswork. "They do not know the facts," he

he and a fellow officer, Floyd Sanasserted, "and, therefore, the value ders questioned a man about shots of their statements becomes greatly reduced. Nor, must we in the actual Sanders, who said he exchanged the clamor of politics or to criticism man and Italian radios, had trumshots with the man, was not injurfrom those who, as we know in our hearts, are actuated by political mo-Sanders said that he and Reif had tives."

been patrolling in the woods near Confesses Mistake Michigan-Wisconsin border

While Sanders was inside the ma- last month when the Japanese did chine. he heard a shot, drew his gun not know her fate.

and saw the killer with drawn gun, A great issue had been raised in Reif on the ground. They exchanged shots, with the slayer backing into executive said, over suppression of five destroyers and heavily damthe woods and Sanders following news from fighting fronts, and he aged two battleships, three cruisielded to the clamor. Sanders reported he emptied his

He said he did so partly because, gun and then was pursued by the if the sinking had been disclosed man but escaped by circling through two or three weeks later, it would transport and heavily damaged the woods. He returned to the high- have been charged publicly that he three transports. way a short distance from where had suppressed the news until after the car had been parked, but found the election.

it gone. Evidently, he said, the slay-The president paid tribute to his er had returned, dragged Reif's body formal naval aide, Rear Admiral into the woods, and fled, heading Daniel J. Callaghan, who was killed either for Florence, Wis., or towards in last week's battle. Callaghan was aboard the cruiser San Francisco which engaged and hit three ene-Michigan state police were noti- my vessels, including a battleship, fied and Sergeant James Smith, in sinking one of them.

CHILD HEALTH CENTER

Wisconsin searched on their side of ter will be held at the courthouse Reif is the father of three chil- Friday afternoon, November 20, dren. He was area supervisor in from 9.30 a. m. to 3 p. m., Dr. Ar-

Move to Suspend Tariffs

Roosevelt's request for broad war- warfare.

for the dying days of the 77th con-

A determined Republican drive to

ment officials to discuss the need

Among those asked to appear

ministration, and Milo Perkins, out this year."

elections.

Battleship, Other War Craft; BASES IN DRIVE TOWARD BIZERTE **Exaggerates American Losses**

nounced today that one of her battleships was sunk in the latest battle of the Solomons.

That loss, which the United Washington - (P) - President States navy previously had an-Roosevelt sized up a fortnight's nounced and which imperial head-'good news" from the battle zones quarters in Tokyo thus could conlast night as indicating that the ceal no longer, and Japan's acturning point of the war had been knowledgement of the U.S. report that a second battleship was dam-But he tempered his analysis, aged attested to the magnitude of

> Name of Ship Withheld The sunken battleship, whose

name and class the Japanese withheld, was the first the enemy has announced as sunk in the war. The announcement appeared in a communique, broadcast by the Tokyo radio, which went further than

any before in admitting Japanese naval losses. These, however, still were less than have been announced by the United States and the communique ships Nov. 13 to 15 as "one of the also tried to soften the picture of

> nounced. List 4 Other Ships Sunk Imperial headquarters also listed

Against this total of 13 vessels nouncement that the total was 30 nese claimed the casualties inflicted by them totalled 13 or 14 vessels sunk and 11 or 12 damaged. Against the latter figure stands the U.S. navy's announcement of the loss of two light cruisers and Assailing "loose talk" and what six destroyers, with one night en-

The Japanese also announced the loss of 41 planes but claimed to cess to all the facts almost inevit- have shot down or otherwise de stroved 74 or more rival aircraft "Bombshell Announcement"

Imperial headquarters issued version of what was called the third Solomons' naval battle after the progress of the war, lend ears to Tokyo radio, abetted by the Gerpeted in advance to the world that 'another bombshell announcement" was forthcoming.

In comparison with previous He said he himself had tried to Japanese versions of other naval seep politics out of the war but he engagements in the Pacific war, confessed to making one mistake, however, the bombshell element was on the man near his parked car. As That was in permitting announce- lacking for anyone but the axis ment of the loss of an unidentified since the real surprise was the aircraft carrier in the Pacific late Japanese admission to have lost a battleship.

> Make Extravagant Claims The Japanese claimed their forces congress and elsewhere, the chief sank eight cruisers and four or ers and three or four destroyers in the battle from Nov. 12 to Nov. 14. They also said they sank one

> > While the imperial headquarters

announcement gave no names the Tokyo radio earlier had broadcast a claim that the 35,000-ton U.S. battleship North Carolina and the 33,400-ton Idaho "fled after receiving terrific damage at the hands of the Japanese navy" last Saturday night in the Solomons. There has been no U.S. an

nouncement or any other allied information that those two vessels were in the southwest Pacific.

ALLIES GET SHIPS

of individuals.

"Step Toward Totalitarianism"

But, even as the committee call-

London--(P)—The ministry of economic warfare announced today charge of the Kettle Moraine state thur Van Duser, district health offi- that the allies had acquired between forest. He began employment with cer, in charge. Appointments may be 200,000 and 300,000 tons of merthe conservation department in 1930. made for the center by calling Lin-chant shipping as a result of their entry into North Africa.



FLIES AGAIN OVER TOBRUK-Briffish soldiers raising the Union Jack over the pile of debris that was Tobruk, after axis forces gave up the battered desert town. (Radiophoto from Cairo.)

Block Plan Set Up by South Wood Co. Women **Under Civilian Defense**

Representatives of 30 south Wood county women's organizations Tuesday night set up the block plan under the civilian defense organization for this district, electing Mrs. F. R. Rosebush, of Port Edwards, as district chairman.

The block plan was enthusiastically endorsed by the delegates after Mrs Stewart Scrimshaw, of Wau-

watosa, field representative of the state advisory committee of the block plan organization, discussed the plan which has already been

"Call to Victory"

"This is the call to victory," Mrs. Scrimshaw told the women. She was introduced by L. E. Smith, disin charge of the meeting.

put into action in most Wisconsin

trict chairman by the nominating committee composed of Mrs. C. A. Cajanus, Mrs. M. R. Fey and Mrs. 118 in a San Diego hospital, recov-C. H. Babcock. The nominating ering from injuries suffered when, committee was elected by the dele- making a parachute jump, his company, suffered a deep laceration gates, and was assisted by Mr. Smith and County Agent H. R. close to the ground.

Mrs. Rosebush was named dis-

elected by the delegates was Mrs. Henry Baldwin, as chairman for from home. Wisconsin Rapids. Chairmen for Nekoosa, the village of Port Edwards and Biron will be chosen later, as will local heads of the neigh-Shestock, county club agent.

The block plan, Mrs. Scrimshaw said, was formally organized at Washington September 31, but the comparatively short time since has seen the extension of the plan at the county level rapidly and effi-

Important functions of the block plan, which will include all women of a community, Mrs. Scrimshaw said, are the dissemination of infor-The bill would give the chief exmative and educational home-front ecutive the authority to suspend material, the sustaining of individual morale and the familiarizing regulations" which in his opinion of the housewife with rationing interfere with the war effort by procedures and other aspects of imposing tariffs and taxes in imwar-time home life. ports and exports, and those regu-

ating the entrance and departure Will Hold Institutes

After the plan has been set up, Mrs. Scrimshaw explained, institutes will be held in areas where ed its executive session, opponents transportation precludes women from traveling, with instructors to raised a protest that the measure would go much further, that it concarry out such programs as teachstituted a step toward totalitarian- ing effective use of food substitism, that it would break down the utes.

Guinea, a formation of 18 bombers the Buin-Faisi area of the northern ing Fortress that did not neturn chairman of the war shipping ad- to get the committee to report it leaders will be, in turn, three wo- them by state selective service head- period ending at 7 a. m., 27; temmen block workers.

High School Opens "Write the Boys a Letter" Campaign

A letter from an injured Wisconsin Rapids soldier served to forcefully dramatize a "Write the Boys trict defense coordinator, who was a Letter" campaign launched this morning at Lincoln high school in an assembly program.

The letter was from Soldier Ted Knuth to Miss Ella LaPerriere. He 'chute failed to open until he was of the left foot shortly before 6

Miss LaPerriere read the letter Also named by the committee and as typifying the appreciation of men in the armed services for mail

Five Lincoln boys presented a skit, "Write the Boys a Letter," bringing out the appreciation theme and dealing with the kind of letter Fresh Wave of Nazi borhood groups in the 11 townships | soldiers and sailors enjoy receiving. of the district functioning under The skit cast was composed of Ar-Mr. Lathrope and Miss Cecelia vid Johnson, Carl Polansky, Victor Baldwin, James Juse and John

For the next two weeks, a room contest will be carried on at Lincoin to determine which group has written the most letters to men in the service. All high school students will participate in the con-

108 Selectees Leave Here for Milwaukee

Three bus loads of south Wood county selectees left this morning for Milwaukee to take final physical examinations for U.S. army service. Included in the 108 men were several transfers from other districts. From the rest will be made up the November quota from this district not supplied by enlistments in the armed forces.

The men will return to Wisconsin | forenoon. Rapids, possibly tonight, for a furquarters on length of the period. | perature at 7 a. m., 27.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa - (A) - Lieut, Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson's British-American army, already within Tunisia, was thrusting tonight from the border eastward toward the Tunisian naval base of Bizerte under a powerful protecting umbrella of planes.

Airpower apparently was developing as the key to the mastery of Tunisia and, it was indicated, the Germans are trying to push large fighter forces in from Sicily and Sardinia.

The Germans evidently were depending on their air force to gam time while axis ground forces are marshaled to try to hold Tunisia, last buffer between the allies in North Africa and Italian Libya.

London - The Germans boasted today that they were established and ready to fight for the important Tunisian naval base of Bizerte against a powerful allied force whose advance guard was already deep in Tunisia, where British parachutists had landed at key airdromes and American parachutists were poised on the fron-(The British radio said Lieut,

Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson, commander of the British First army, had declared himself satisfied with "very good start" by his forceswhich include an American column -in their eastward thrust from Alunis Radio Off Air

The Tunis radio went off the air after given the explanation Monday morning that its silence was intended to save power, and this suggested a possibility that parachute

FORTRESSES RAID BIZERTE London —(P)— United States Flying Fortresses have attacked the axis-held naval base of Bizerte in Tunisia, causing damage in lowlevel bombing, Reuters reported today in a dispatch from allied

operations might even have been prought close to the Tunisian capital which the axis had announced was in its hands.

headquarters in North Africa.

Using the Nazi-controlled Paris radio as their mouthpiece, the Germans announced today that they had captured Bizerte and established themselves firmly there.

British parachutists were taken to their Tunisian airdrome objectives in American transport planes escorted by fighters. Reuters said some of the parachutists landed 'close to an important key town in Tunisia," but none of the reports identified the positions seized.

American parachutists were said to have landed in a swift operation See-WAR IN AFRICA-Page 9

Machinist Injured in Mill Accident Here

J. C. Rains, Nekoosa, machinist at

Consolidated Water Power & Paper clock Tuesday afternoon when a casting fell on it. He was moving the casting from a planner. No fractures resulted and the injury is not considered serious. He was taken to Riverview hospital in the city ambulance, remaining there for treat-

Terrorism in Prague

London—(A)—Czech government sources said today that 40 executions within five days had been reported from Prague in a new wave of Nazi terrorism which they believed was intended to curb the enthusiasm of Czechs over allied successes in Africa.

Fourteen Czechs were said to have been put to death in a single 🖣 day on charges of espionage and

THE WEATHER

For Wisconsin: Colder in south and east portions: continued cold in northwest portion tonight and Thursday



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