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PRICE THREE CENTS

NAZI COUP PERILS SHIP LANES

Japs Are Reported Stalled 3 Miles Outside Singapore

The War and You—
RADIO PLANTS ORDERED INTO ARMS OUTPUT

Equipment and Labor May Be Seized, Is Warning To Manufacturers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—The War Production Board today ordered all radio manufacturers to convert their facilities to war production within four months.

R. R. Guthrie, assistant chief of the WPB Bureau of Industry branches, told 55 radio set manufacturers that if they had not converted within "three or four months from now," the Government might have to break up their plant, equipment, labor and management and shift them "to war production."

Mr. Guthrie said it is expected that a major part of the conversion will be accomplished by May.

The industry did a \$200,000,000 civilian business last year. Its civilian output already has been cut approximately 40 per cent.

Local Druggists Bar 'Nuisance Deliveries'

"Nuisance deliveries" such as two packages of cigarettes and a favorite magazine by your druggist are out.

Delivery of essential sick-room supplies will be continued.

Beginning Wednesday, drug stores will make a charge of 5¢ on any delivery below \$1, excepting the sick-room supplies.

These are the highlights of a program to conserve equipment designed by the Indianapolis Association of Retail Druggists and announced today by its secretary, Alber C. Fritz.

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4. Extension of excise taxes to an increasing number of articles."

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Doughboy Takes Tea in Eire



An American soldier, member of the American Expeditionary Force, enjoys a mug of tea on a dockside, in a Northern Ire port. (This picture was passed by censor.)

CRISIS FACED BY SYMPHONY

Local Organization Needs \$95,000 to Operate Through 1943.

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Real Silk Stock Spurts 3 Points

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—Trading on the stock market today dwindled to around the lightest levels since Aug. 25, 1941.

Prices moved irregularly with a sizable group of issues registering small gains. Selective operations brought wide changes in a few special issues but in the main, changes were fractional as traders awaited outcome of the Singapore battle. Real Silk Hosiery preferred made a new high at \$48.50, up 43.

UPHOLDS LIQUOR BAN IN IRVINGTON AREA

Appellate Court Sustains Provisions of Deeds.

The Appellate Court ruled in effect today that no liquor may be sold in the original town site of Irvington except for "sacramental, medicinal or mechanical" purposes.

It upheld the injunction granted by the Boone Circuit Court a year ago against Philip Sorrentino, operator of a tavern at 533 E. Washington St., prohibiting him from selling intoxicating beverages.

The suit was filed by 12 Irvington taxpayers, who contended that the original town restricted owners or their successors from selling intoxicating beverages on the premises.

The town of Irvington as originally platted contained approximately 304 acres.

In his appeal, Mr. Sorrentino

contended that there had been such a change of conditions that it is "inequitable to enforce the restriction as to the sale of intoxicating beverages."

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F. D. R. ORDERS NON-MILITARY STAFFS PARED

Calls for Survey to Put More Men at Work on War Duties.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.)—President Roosevelt today directed heads of non-military government agencies to determine at once how many men they can release for war work.

He said that excess personnel must be "effectively channeled" into defense jobs.

But he placed on Congress the responsibility of eliminating functions of non-military agencies which may be considered unessential.

Mr. Roosevelt told a press conference he had sent a directive to agency heads ordering them to "survey every operational activity and determine those employees who may be promptly released for employment in other agencies" more directly involved in the war.

Criticizes Bright Boys

He pointed out that the extension of the work week to 44 hours in most Government agencies had greatly augmented the man-hours of Federal employment. But agencies which were adequately staffed on the basis of the 39-hour week, and which are not now confronted with an increase in work programs, are now overstuffed, he added.

"It is imperative that this manpower be immediately capitalized and effectively channeled into defense work," the directive said.

Actual elimination of services performed by agencies not concerned directly with the war can be carried out only by Congress, he said. He then launched into a sarcastic discussion of bright boys, as he termed them, who scream for blanket curtailment of all non-war Federal expenditures.

Queried on CCC

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