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J. O. VOIT, GENERAL MANAGER

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Mr. Amon Carter
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Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Carter:

I saw the enclosed notice in this morning's (March 12th) Herald Tribune, which together with Secretary of War Stimson's (clipping also enclosed) announcement confirms the so much hoped for - fact of our boys being still alive, the prisoners.

The third clipping reporting Corporal John Ladun's being missing will explain to you my own worries and at the same time will make my apologies for disturbing you seem more natural, especially when I take the liberty to ask you whether you have additional information.

Corporal Ladun too was acting as forward observer with his Battery Commander, having been specially trained as technician for use of "walkie talkies" and radio communication with his Battery. Corporal Ladun was of Battery "F", 17th Field Artillery and his Battery Commander was Captain James H. McCord, with whom I am personally acquainted.

Many and my sincerest thanks for any information at all - now and later - you might be able to give me.

Sincerely,



J. O. Voit

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2d Tax District Sees Collection Of 3 Billions

Predicts Total Triple That of '42; Payments Below 23d Street Rise 176%

Income tax collections in the 2d New York Internal Revenue District—the richest tax collection district in the world, which includes all Manhattan below Twenty-third Street—may total \$3,000,000,000 this year, almost three times that of 1942.

This was predicted yesterday by Captain William J. Pedrick, collector for the 2d district, with offices at the Custom House in Bowling Green. Both the Custom House and the office of the 3d district, at 110 East Forty-fifth Street, were thronged with persons waiting to make their Federal payments.

Up to Wednesday night, Captain Pedrick said, collections in his district for the first quarter, with the deadline at midnight Monday, March 15, were 176 per cent ahead of the corresponding period last year. In 1942...

A Familiar Scene as the Tax Deadline Nears



Joseph A. Rose, of the Internal Revenue Bureau, helping Peggy Maughan make out her tax return at the Custom House yesterday

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taxpayers can simply fill out and sign the return and mail it in. In the mail at the Custom House this morning were 65,000

Union Meeting Curtails Bendix Output 1½ Hours

500 on Day Shift Hear U.A.W. Officials on Complaint

War production at the two Brooklyn plants of the Bendix Aviation Company, marine division, was curtailed for an hour and a half yesterday morning when

Vote to Nullify \$25,000 Salary Limit Delayed

Some Committeemen Admit They Knew in Advance of President's Intent

From the Herald Tribune Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 15.—After five hours' debate, reviving chiefly around the general issue of President Roosevelt's Oct. 1 executive order placing a \$25,000 ceiling on salaries after tax, the House adjourned late today without reaching a vote on the administration's bill to increase the national debt limit to \$2,000,000,000. This bill had been reported by the Ways and Means Committee with a rider designed to nullify the salary-limit edict and to substitute a less drastic Congressional measure.

In the turbulent days which at times disclose personalities, several disclosures made regarding behind-the-scenes maneuvers which accompanied the act of Oct. 2, 1941, when Roosevelt as authorized by Congress decreed a salary limiting measure.

In addition to the sessions of the House on the Currency Control bill, members of the committee knew

Before and After the British

BIG TUNISIAN LOSS DENIED BY STIMSON

Secretary Lists 59 Killed, 176
Wounded, 2,007 Missing in
Incomplete Report

COVERS WEEK OF SETBACKS

Report Stresses Our Gains in
North Africa, Pacific, China
and in Raids on Germany

By **SIDNEY SHALETT**

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

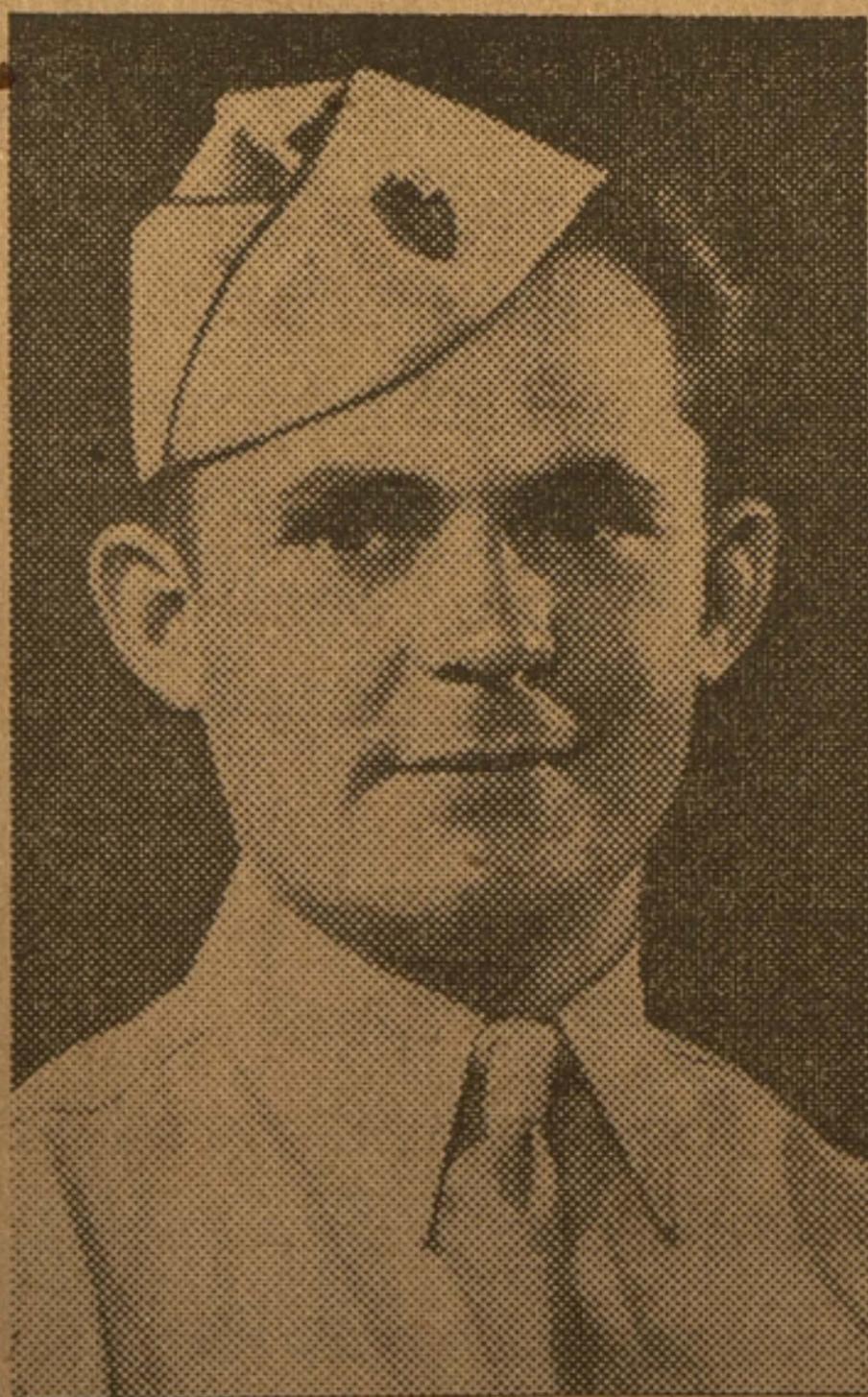
WASHINGTON, March 11—Despite German claims of huge losses inflicted on American troops during the North African setback, incomplete reports indicate that, between Feb. 14 and 20, United States casualties were 59 men killed, 176 wounded and 2,007 missing, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson disclosed at his press conference today.

"It is probable," he said in his report on the week when the German advance was at its height, "that most of those reported missing were taken prisoner by the enemy. There is a possibility that some of the missing may yet return to the American lines. The reports received are incomplete and the number of our casualties may be somewhat higher than reported thus far."

The week on which he reported, Mr. Stimson said, was the period in which American troops suffered their heaviest casualties. British and French losses were "relatively light" during this phase of the Tunisian campaign, but both United States and Axis losses were "substantial." However, the War Secretary declared that the United States probably is "in a better po-



Missing in Action



Corp. John Ladun, one of the first conscriptees of the Seymour district, has been reported missing in action since February 14 on the Tunisian front, the War Department announced yesterday. A friend of J. O. Voit, manager of the Hotel Taft, Corporal Ladun has been reported missing two years to the day of his joining the army in Seymour. Prior to entering the army, he was in complete charge for over six years of Mr. Voit's property in Oxford.