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## QUEBEC SESSIONS HIT FULL STRIDE AS EDEN ARRIVES

### Roosevelt and Churchill Study Military Plans; Hull to Join Eden Soon

Quebec, Aug. 18.—President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill today worked with military leaders over a detailed master plan for forcing and taking the fortress of Europe while Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, arrived to work on the political problems likely to follow victory.

Eden will be joined soon by United States Secretary of State Cordell Hull for discussions aimed at coordinating the political policies of the two nations.

White House Secretary Stephen T. Early, who accompanied the President here, revealed earlier that Mr. Roosevelt will visit Ottawa, probably "early next week." He will repay the visits made to him previously by Canadian Prime Minister MacKenzie King. He will be the first United States president ever to visit the Canadian capital; and Parliament, it was learned, may be convened to meet him.

(The announcement indicated that at least the military phase of the Quebec conference will be completed this week.)

Eden Arrives  
On arrival, Eden went immediately into conference with Churchill. A British spokesman said later that there are no foreign observers at the conference, thus contradicting reports that Russia and China did have persons here to watch the proceedings.

Further evidence that the present military discussions are aimed at the final phase of the war was indicated also by the arrival with Eden of Brendan Bracken, British minister of information. His presence makes clear that even the propaganda phase of military operations are to be coordinated.

It was believed possible that Elmer Davis, Director of the Office of War Information, will meet with Bracken, probably in Washington.

That the conference here was contributing effectively to the bloodless form of attack became apparent when trial peace feelers were reported from Germany and again from Rome. An English-speaking Nazi commentator in Berlin suggested a negotiated peace with an indication that Germany is ready to throw "extremists" out.

Italian Marshal Pietro Badoglio again was reported to have proposed an "open city" status for Rome. His terms are not believed acceptable to the Allied high command, although this is one of the questions which must be decided by the high command and their political advisers here.

#### MRS. SARAH MOON

Mrs. Sarah Moon, 80, died Sunday night the home of her son, Prof. I. D. Moon, on Louisburg, Route 4.

The funeral was held in the Pittman-Lancaster chapel here Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and was conducted by Dr. Walter Patten, president of Louisburg College. The remains were interred in Oakwood Cemetery.

#### PROMOTED

Pvt. Charlie M. Phelps, of Sheppard Field, Texas, has been promoted to Pfc. Phelps is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Phelps, Louisburg, Route 2. He left for the Army the 29th of May. He graduated from Gold Sand in 1941.

#### PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, August 21:

Saturday—Charles Starrett in "Robin Hood Range" and Bobby Watson as Hitler in "That Nazi Nuisance." Also "Daredevils of the West."

Sunday—Monday—Franchot Tone and Marsha Hunt in "Pilot Number 5."

Tuesday—Betty Grable and Victor Mature in "Footlight Serenade." Also "The Secret Code."

Wednesday—Philip Dorn and Anna Sten in "Chetniks."

Thursday-Friday—Red Skelton and Lucille Ball, Tommy Dorsey and Band in "Dubarry Was A Lady."

#### MISSING



Ensign W. T. Clifton was reported missing while engaged in his duties somewhere in the Pacific War Area. He is known by his friends as "Billy" and is the son of Mrs. M. S. Clifton and the late Mr. Clifton. Mrs. Clifton was notified by the government on last Friday.

#### Franklinton Township Schools

##### To Open Wednesday Morning September 1, at Nine O'clock

The schools for white children in Franklinton Township will open Wednesday morning, September 1, at nine o'clock. The schools for the colored children of the township have already opened. The patrons and friends of the schools have a most cordial invitation to be present for the opening exercises.

Superintendent W. P. Morton has called a faculty meeting of all white teachers for Tuesday morning, August 31 at nine o'clock. At the Tuesday meeting, various school problems will be discussed. Mr. Morton will lead the discussion on "Indexes of Good Teaching."

The Superintendent and faculty of the Franklinton Schools will join Superintendent Mitchell and the Principals of the Schools of Franklinton County in their efforts to have better disciplined schools, in the county. Good group control is indeed an index to good teaching. "Self restraint, respect for others, and care of public property are valuable traits for the future citizens of our respective communities to develop."

At the time of entering school, every child must have a smallpox vaccination scar, or a doctor's certificate of vaccination. This is a regulation of the Franklin County Board of Health.

All vacancies of the Franklinton Schools have been filled. The patrons and friends of the schools will be present in large numbers on the opening morning to give the pupils and the faculty, both old and new, a most hearty and cordial welcome to Franklinton.

#### Franklinton Raises \$3,123.75

In the Mollie Pitcher bond sale drive under the leadership of Mrs. M. W. Hardy and Miss Elizabeth Pearce, Franklinton did itself proud. There was a total of \$3,123.75 sold in bonds and War Saving Stamps in the work time of 5 1-2 hours.

The leaders of the drive were ably assisted by the following young ladies: Misses Miriam Gonella, Marion Hand, Virginia Hicks, Mattie Hicks, Rosalie Kearney, Mary E. Hamm, Frances Green, Jane Cox, Ann Cox, Bettie Cheatham, Mary Mac Wheeler, Ruth Jenkins and Nellie Adkins.

#### ADULT SEWING CLASS

If you are interested in becoming a member of an adult sewing class in which the fundamentals of construction will be the main topic, please meet in the Home Economics Dept. of Mills School Monday afternoon, August 23rd, at 3:30 for class organization. If you are interested but cannot attend Monday afternoon please tell someone who is planning to be present and maybe the time for class work can be adjusted to your schedule. Marjorie Gardner, the Home Economics teacher of Mills School, will be the instructor.

## GAS PANEL ENDS IN HOLD HEARINGS

### Orders Surrender of Coupons In Four Cases

The Hearing Panel for the Franklin County War Price and Ration Board, composed of Mr. G. M. Beam, as chairman, Mr. R. J. Rose, of Franklinton, and Mr. John O. Wilson, of R. 4, Louisburg, held its first hearing of violations on Tuesday night in the Commissioners room in the Court House.

There were five cases before the Panel and after going into the hearing of each the Panel recommended penalties as follows:

H. M. Dickens, who was charged with driving on highway 56 at a speed of 50 miles an hour, using the car belonging to his wife, the Panel ordered the surrender of four coupons from the B book issued to this car.

Albert Williams was charged with speeding at 50 miles an hour on highway 59 on July 3 and was ordered to surrender his B book.

John Lee Woodlief who was also charged with speeding at 50 miles an hour on highway No. 1 on July 3, was ordered to surrender 2 B coupons.

D. L. Ayscue, who was charged with driving carelessly and recklessly, causing damage to tires, was required to surrender 3 No. 6 coupons from his A book and not to use the remainder of his A-6 before October 1st, 1943.

E. M. Bartholomew was before the Panel charged with speeding at 60 miles an hour on July 7, between Cherry Point and New River. He explained to the Board that the reason of this speed was because his gas truck was parked on the highway, with tires blown out and he was taking new tires to it so that he could have the truck moved, and relieving the danger. The Panel accepted his explanation and exacted no penalty at this time, but informed Mr. Bartholomew that this will be taken into consideration if further violations are reported.

The first meeting was successfully and considerably conducted and gives evidence that the members of the Panel are considerate of the individual in his misdeeds and also the government in enforcing the gasoline and tire regulations.

#### BEASLEY-FARIS

Henderson.—Miss Margaret Helen Faris and Fisher Beasley, Jr., were married in Arlington Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday evening, August 3.

Mrs. Beasley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Faris, of Henderson. She is a graduate of Henderson High School and attended Peace College and Henderson Business College. For the past 18 months, she has been employed with the Ordnance Department of the War Department in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Beasley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Beasley, of Baltimore, formerly residents of Henderson. He attended Georgia Military Academy, State College, and the University of North Carolina. He holds a position with the Glenn L. Martin Company in Baltimore.

After September, the couple will make their home in Baltimore.

#### LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach Sunday morning at eleven o'clock after having been away on his vacation for three weeks. Everyone is urged to attend service.

In the evening at 8 o'clock there will be Vesper Service on the College Campus.

9:45 a. m. Sunday School.  
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.  
7:15 p. m. B. T. U.  
8:00 p. m. Vespers on College Campus.

#### LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor will speak at the 11:00 o'clock service Sunday morning.

Dr. A. Paul Bagby will speak at Union Vesper Service Sunday, 8:00 p. m., on the College Campus.

Church School will be held at 9:45 Sunday morning, led by Prof. I. D. Moon. You are welcomed.

## COMPLETE SICILY CONQUEST

### Island Taken After 38 Days

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ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Church School will begin promptly at 9:45 A. M., Sunday, and will last for one hour. Mr. Will Yarborough, Bible Class teacher.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

FEED WHEAT TO BE DELIVERED FROM C. C. BINS IN LOUISBURG ON SATURDAYS  
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#### BATTLE OF THE "HELLOS"

With just a minute to spare, I dialed the telephone.  
"Hello," a voice answered.  
I said: "Hello." "Who is speaking?"

She said: "Who do you want?"  
I said: "Mr. — please."  
She said: "Okay, wait a minute."

The party I wanted then said: "Hello."  
Then I said: "Hello Mr. —" and proceeded with half minute conversation after three or four minutes delay in "Helloing."

Short while later I made another call; the party answered, "Mr. — speaking," all was understood and the conversation over in half minute. There were no "Hello's."

Telephones are crowded; let's answer with our names and thus save time on the Home Front.

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## CAPITALISM OR COMMUNISM OR WHAT?

### Babson Discusses Land Assessments

By ROGER W. BABSON

Babson Park, Mass., Aug. 20.—Letters continually come to me asking my idea as to what changes in the social and economic structure are ahead.

These letters have increased since Vice President Wallace made his recent Detroit address. As this is a nice cool day, I am making a guess as to what developments may take place or at least the route that such developments may follow. These comments, however, are merely forecasts and I am not arguing for them.

#### BEGIN WITH FUNDAMENTALS

Instead of Socialism, Fascism, Communism or even Capitalism succeeding, I expect that all of these—as now set up—will change. The "Single Tax" theory of Henry George or the "Eliminate Poverty" theory of Mrs. John Martin of Winter Park, Florida, comes nearer the desired goal. In selecting this goal, I make two assumptions as follows:

1. That soil, babies, education and religion are the four foundation stones of any permanent economic and social system.

2. That the coming economic system will be half-way between Capitalism and Communism. The free enterprise feature of Capitalism must be conserved; while a monopoly of the soil must be avoided. Home owners, who use the land, must be protected.

These four fundamentals—soil, babies, education and religion—must be met one at a time in order that we do not "bite off more than we can chew." My forecast, therefore, is that the first problem to be tackled will be the soil problem. By soil I include farms, home gardens, natural resources and improvements, all of which go to make up real estate. Due to high taxes farmers now have not the money to build up their soil and prevent its loss by erosion. As a result the nation is losing every day the soil equivalent of 200 Forty-Acre farms.

#### FAIR ASSESSMENTS A PROTECTION

Real estate values and real estate owners—as well as the public—should be protected by fair and equal tax assessment. This can be accomplished only by legislation whereby the taxable body—town, city, county or state—must, upon request of the owner, take over said property at said assessed value any time on proper notice. This is the only way to prevent unfair assessments although said assessments can be readjusted each year. Why more ambitious politicians have not tackled the problem of present ruinous assessments is beyond my understanding.

Fair assessments by themselves, however, may not be enough to equalize opportunities and protect those who are diligently using property to raise families or crops. I, therefore, forecast that the time may come when real estate can be purchased or sold only at the assessed values. This would prevent both unfair foreclosures by banks and greedy lenders, and it would enable young people to buy farms and other property at fair prices. Banks may at first object to this, but in the end it would protect their mortgages and enable buyers of property to more easily secure mortgage money.

#### "AFTER-THE-WAR" SYSTEM

We hear much discussion regarding what is going to be put "behind the dollar" after the war. Some economists are urging a Commodity Dollar, the value to move up and down according to the cost of living; others recommend a Production Dollar based more upon the nation's improvements; while others present

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