

ARGENTINA BREAKS WITH GERMANY AND JAPAN

Spy System Honeycombs High Society

Laggard Argentina Last Of American Republics To Act

Buenos Aires, Jan. 26.—Argentina today broke off relations with Germany and Japan. She was the last nation in the Americas to break with the Axis.

HULL AND EDEN WELCOME NEWS

Washington, Jan. 26.—Secretary of State Cordell Hull expressed gratification today over Argentina's decision to break relations with Germany and Japan, but added a hope that Argentina would adopt other measures for the security of the Americas.

London, Jan. 26.—Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden received Argentine Ambassador Miguel Angel Carcano today and expressed his satisfaction with Argentina's break with the Axis.

Basadors will be handed their passports today.

President Gen. Pedro Ramirez was scheduled to speak over the radio at 11:30 a. m. to announce the Government's decision.

(This is 10:30 A. M. Eastern War Time.) Ramirez signed a decree breaking relations with Germany and Japan which declared an immense Axis spy system had been discovered in the country involving members of high society in Argentina.

Many arrests were made last night. Ramirez signed the decree at 8:10 A. M. (7:10 A. M. Eastern War Time) and Foreign Minister Alberto Gilbert immediately went to the Foreign Ministry where he awaited the Chilean Ambassador, Rios Gallardo.

After informing Rios Gallardo Gilbert telephoned the United States Ambassadors, Norman Armour.

It was said "sensational revelations" concerning the spy ring would be made. Rios Gallardo expressed great pleasure at the Argentine decision, asserting that Argentina now stood with the rest of the countries of the Americas in a united front against the Axis.

Capitol Hill Cheered

Washington, Jan. 26.—News of Argentina's break with Germany and Japan was hailed enthusiastically today by Chairman Connally (D-Texas) of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and others on Capitol Hill.

"Argentina has finally realized that its own interests and those of the Western Hemisphere require that it repudiate nazism and fascism if it is to live in a free world," Connally said. "The United Nations will welcome Argentina to the company of democratic nations."

Senator Thomas (D-Utah), also a member of the foreign relations group, smiled happily and exclaimed "Fine!"

Chairman May (D-Ky.) of the House Military Affairs Committee commented: "That means almost total solidarity between the American republics. It is indeed a gratifying situation if they are determined to take aggressive steps."

Said Senator Barkley (D-Ky.), majority leader: "I think it's about time."

British Pleased

London, Jan. 26.—British quarters welcomed Argentina's break with the Axis today as perhaps the most significant event in South America since the Rio Conference and Brazil's declaration of war.

For months the British Government has moved step by step with the United States in urging Argentina to make this move which has removed what long has been regarded as a festering sore on continental solidarity.

Great Britain never made a secret of its regret that despite the decisions at Rio De Janeiro, Axis officials and agents had free run of Argentina which was available for them as a basis for action throughout Latin America and invaluable as the last remaining listening post in the Western Hemisphere.

Reflecting the undoubted attitude of the bulk of the British public and the undisguised view of Government quarters. The

RED CROSS HOME SERVICE QUARTERS MOVED

The Red Cross Home Service office has been moved from the Harris Building to an upstairs room over the Auto Supply Co. store (next to the Louisburg Theatre) according to announcement of Dr. A. Paul Bagby, County Chairman. The Red Cross desires to thank publicly Mr. T. M. Harris for his generosity in furnishing free of all charges his building for this work during the past months. It also expresses thanks to Messrs. Lumpkin and Davis for consideration in the low rental of the new office.

Evening News said editorially: "The sooner President Pedro Ramirez (of Argentina) gets into line with his neighbors, the better it will be for all concerned—especially for Argentina."

Miss Crowder Explains FSA Program to Lions Club

Miss Aline Crowder, Farm Security Administration Home Supervisor for Franklin County, gave a very interesting account of the work being done in the County at the regular meeting of the Louisburg Lions Club Tuesday night at the Agricultural Building.

Miss Crowder presented a brief history of the trends of American Agriculture and the depression years. A chart was shown and the progress made by two hundred Franklin County farmers was explained by Miss Crowder. Remarkable progress was made in the increase of livestock, dairy cattle, chickens, hogs, garden and truck, canning, and the production of beef and pork. Fifty eight tenant purchase loans have been made so far and payments are 159% ahead of schedule," said Miss Crowder. "\$25,283 in payments were due at the end of 1942 and payments made up to that time amounted to \$40,241."

Lion Bagby reported that the Citizenship and Patriotism, and Boys and Girls joint committees have worked out the details of the award to be given to a Mills High School boy and girl. Two awards will be given instead of the one originally planned. Lion Hedden gave some interesting figures on the amount of tobacco sold on the Louisburg market and President Beam asked Lion Tucker to have similar data on the amount of cotton sold to present at the next meeting.

Miss Ruth Jenkins sang "Smoke gets in your eye" and "White cliffs of Dover". Miss Jenkins was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. E. Malone.

The following new members were welcomed into the Club: J. C. Oakley, J. P. Timberlake, Jr., H. T. Drewett, H. C. Taylor, and Hill Yarbrough.

Mills High School and Gold Sand boys and girls basketball teams will play tonight in the Armory. The first game will begin at 7:30. Go out and give the teams your encouragement.

Louisburg divided a twin-bill with Rolesville High School last Tuesday night, when the girls lost by 1 point, 25 to 24, and the boys won by the score of 28-25. These games were hotly contested and much enjoyed by those attending.

Laughing at a man's funny story will please him more than telling a dozen of your own.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, Jan. 29th:

Saturday — Gene Autry and Smiley Burnette in 'Gaucho Serenade' and Donald Woods and Elyse Knox in 'Hi Ya Sailor,' also 'Masked Marvel.'

Sunday-Monday—Red Skelton, Ann Rutherford, Rags Ragland, and the Brooklyn Dodgers in 'Whistling in Brooklyn.'

Tuesday — Billie Burke and Donald Woods in 'So's Your Uncle,' and last chapter of the 'Bat Man.'

Wednesday—Mary Beth Hughes, Tim and Irene, Ted Flo Rito and Band and Anson Weeks and Band in 'Melody Parade.'

Thursday-Friday — Randolph Scott, James Brown and Ella Raines in 'Corvette K-225.'

\$5000 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Has Been Established At Louisburg College In Honor T. A. Person

Mrs. T. A. Person, widow of the late Thomas Arrington Person, has established a \$5000 Scholarship Fund at Louisburg College in memory of her husband. The benefits of this scholarship will go to worthy boys and girls who will enter the ministry or religious work.

In presenting the scholarship, Mrs. Person writes: "About the year 1812, Temperance Arrington attended the school now known as Louisburg College. She was the great grandmother of the late Thomas Arrington Person and also the writer (Mrs. Annie Mason Person). Later, Abiah Culpepper, the paternal grandmother of Mr. Person, attended the same school. In the years just prior to and immediately after the Civil War, Abiah Culpepper had five daughters, as well as three sons who were partly prepared for college at the Academy which used to stand on the South Campus of Louisburg College. The late Thomas Arrington Person also received his early education at the same academy.

"The profound Christian education which has thus been exerted, for generations past, upon my family and the family of my husband at the opportunities afforded at Louisburg College and its predecessor have not failed to be most impressive to me. Since each individual is 'the heir of all the ages' it occurs to me that no individual can be insensible to his debt to those who follow him, whether related by blood or not."

Mr. Person served on the Board of Trustees of Louisburg College for a number of years. At his death Mrs. Person was elected to fill his unexpired term, position which she now holds.

The following was taken from January 15th edition Flat Topics, publication of the U.S.S. Casablanca:

"Word was received aboard this week of the appointment of Commander James E. Fulghum, ship's senior medical officer, to the position of Flight Surgeon in the Navy Medical Corps, following six months of service as a qualified aviation medical examiner. The commander was awarded the previous designation upon completion of a two month course in aviation medicine, Florida, and since graduation he has fulfilled the minimum requirement of service and collected sixty hours of flying, entitling him to the acron and wings of the Medical Department."

Dr. Fulghum's many friends in Franklin County extend hearty congratulations.

DR. FULGHUM APPOINTED FLIGHT SURGEON

The local schools by offering work in Driver Education, are not only helping their students to be better prepared for effective work in our Armed Services, but are helping to alleviate the present traffic accident conditions in our county. In 1942, in traffic accidents alone, we lost 28,000 killed and over one billion six hundred million dollars.

We can see why the battle of the highways is one that merits the attention of our schools. The Driver Education Course that is being taught in our schools was developed by Military Training Division, Office of the Quartermaster General in cooperation with educational leaders. Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, N. C. State Superintendent of Public Instruction, was one of the two State School Officials who cooperated with the Army in building the course now offered.

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On Pay Day, Buy Bonds

BOND QUOTA ALMOST MET

Franklin County Bond Drive Progressing Rapidly — Louisburg First Township To Sell Its Quota

Much interest is being manifested in the contest between the townships to see which can sell its bond quota first. Spirited bond sales are being held in the various townships. Youngsville, Hayesville and Cedar Rock Townships have had rallies, and it is expected that they will sell their quota within the next week.

Louisburg Township is the first to sell its quota. Chairman Blair Tucker, and his committee, have done a splendid piece of work in over-selling their quota in the first week of the campaign. This committee is not ceasing its efforts, but are continuing until the entire quota for Franklin County has been sold.

What is your township doing? Have you bought all of the bonds you can—and are you assisting your chairman?

The last report shows the following:

Township	Sold	Quota
Louisburg	\$70,250	\$59,000
Youngsville	9,525	21,300
Hayesville	11,585	16,000
Cedar Rock	9,250	23,000
Franklinton	20,275	26,000
Dunn No. 1	4,100	14,000
Sandy Creek	3,550	17,000
Cypress Creek	2,275	10,500
Harris	3,125	21,000
Gold Mine	1,250	13,000
Dunn No. 2	No report	14,000

FRANKLIN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS ADD DRIVER EDUCATION

Superintendent Wiley F. Mitchell states that the principals of the Franklin County Schools met last Friday afternoon in the Office of the Franklin County Board of Education for the purpose of discussing the various forms of wartime work that could be taught through the high schools.

After evaluating the various forms of wartime work which can effectively be taught in the schools of Franklin County, it was decided that Driver Education should be added to the high school curriculum. The training high school students will receive from this course will be of great value to those who enter the Armed Service and will also contribute to the efficiency as civilian drivers of school buses, farm trucks, and industrial jobs, and as drivers of civilian passenger cars now and after the War.

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Eagle Scout Receives Appointment To Annapolis

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barrow have received official notice from Congressman Harold D. Cooley of the selection of their son, Joseph James Barrow, as principal appointee to the Annapolis Naval Academy.

Joe is an honor graduate of Mills High School and an Eagle Scout. He is now taking chemical engineering at State College, Raleigh, and will enter Annapolis in June of this year. He is a newly pledged member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. He has won many coveted honors in the realm of amateur golf, having played many matches on most of the outstanding courses in the state.

It is singular that this appointment fills the particular vacancy which occurred upon the graduation last June of Joe's brother, William B. Barrow, Jr., who also was an Eagle Scout, and is now on duty somewhere in the Pacific.

Joe is to be congratulated upon this recent honor of being selected a candidate to Annapolis; and the entire community is glad to receive the news.

While these two young men have dedicated their training for service of their country, Mr. and Mrs. Barrow are to be congratulated upon producing two such fine sons who have justly merited the successive honor of being chosen principal candidates for the Naval Academy.



JOSEPH JAMES BARROW

Epsom Bond Sales Growing

Members of the Epsom Evening Class bought \$4,500.00 worth of War Bonds Monday in the Prize-Giving War Bond Buying Campaign, which brings the total figure of \$14,350.00 for the class thus far, however, part of this credited goes to Vance County as many of the farmers live in Vance. The following record was made Monday night:

Listed in order are the item, giver, buyer and price. Pair Wagon Rains, C. W. Finch, J. B. Smith, \$1,000.00. Gallon of Paint, Watkins Hardware, Tolle Smith, \$325.00. Dozen Plov Points, R. E. Eaves, W. J. Bowen, \$225.00. 100 lbs. Cotton Seed Meal, G. W. Eaves, Tolle Smith, \$325.00. 100 lbs. Soda, W. J. Bowen, D. D. Dickie, \$525.00. 100 lbs. Soda, R. L. Newman, P. C. Fuller, \$425.00. Bu. Sweet Potatoes, H. F. Mitchell, D. H. Dickie, \$325.00. Bu. Sweet Potatoes, Tolle Smith, D. H. Dickie, \$300.00. Pr. Single Trees, R. E. Eaves, Tolle Smith, \$300.00. 100 lbs. Soda, F. M. Ayscue, D. H. Dickie, \$350.00. 100 lbs. Soda, W. A. Rowland, P. C. Fuller, \$225.00. 100 lbs. Soda, W. A. Rowland, H. F. Mitchell, \$225.00. Total of Auction Sale, \$4,550.00. Previous sale (Jan. 17) \$1,550. Grand total of sales \$6,100. Purchase in Hayesville Township, but not in Evening Class, \$8,250. Total, \$14,350.00.

\$11,585.00 of this total goes to Franklin County and the rest (\$2,765.00) goes to Vance County.

The topic for study Monday night was Increased Fertilizers for Increased Production. As an increased amount of fertilizer per acre is one way of increasing yield, the farmers decided to devote one hour to this subject. J. T. Griffin, Agriculture Teacher, gave each farmer a copy of the fertilizer recommendations for Hayesville Township and carried on a group discussion on the use of same. (Information taken from a N. C. Exp. Station Publication). The teacher also explained how to take soil samples from a given farm and have them tested by the state Dept. of agriculture, and gave out soil containers and literature on the subject.

The class will meet each Monday night for the next eight weeks and continue its educational program and War Bond Drive.

Mrs. Hugh W. Perry, Franklin County Chairman, is in receipt of the following telegram from Ralph McDonald, State Chairman: "As we go down the home stretch in Infantile Paralysis Drive all at headquarters wish you every success in Franklin County. Early reports point to greatest campaign North Carolina has put on. More power to you."

Leo Ellis was found guilty of allowing another to drive car with no drivers license, discharged upon payment of costs. Mary Willie Lewis was found guilty of no drivers license, discharged upon payment of costs. Raymond Perry, charged with operating automobile intoxicated, requested a jury trial, continued.

J. A. McGhee, removing land posted sign, remanded to J. R. Pearce for disposition. Wilson Ball, G. H. Ball, sci fa continued. Louis Alston was found not guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey for the purpose of sale. Pearl Perry was found guilty of obstructing Justice and assault, not guilty of unlawful possession of whiskey, to be discharged on payment of \$25 fine and costs. C. C. Dement was found guilty of swearing to marriage license falsely, to be discharged on payment of costs.

Joseph H. Bradin plead guilty to operating motor vehicle without license, to be discharged on payment of costs. H. W. Cheek, plead guilty to unlawful possession of whiskey, to be discharged upon payment of \$10 fine and costs. The following cases were continued: Lee Burnette, o a i.

At a jury trial in Franklin County Recorder's Court held on Wednesday morning William Morris Murphy was found guilty of operating an automobile intoxicated, and was given 60 days on roads, suspended upon payment of \$50 fine and costs, not to operate an automobile for 12 months. Appeal.

The world crop of cotton is estimated at 27,250,000 bales, or 1 per cent smaller than for the previous year. The U. S. crop was 2,100,000 bales larger.

Scrap Paper

Walter Fuller, Assistant County Agent, has made arrangements to handle waste paper for Franklin County. The Government is greatly in need of this paper and, if you have any that you can spare, just get in touch with Mr. Fuller. He will see that it is put in the proper channels.

WAR NEWS

London, Thursday, Jan. 27.— Russian troops, hammering the Germans back along a 50-mile curving front south of Leningrad, have captured the fortified city of Krasnogvardetsk, cut the last railroad escape route for many thousands of the enemy in the Volkhov river area, and advanced to within 42 miles of the Estonian border, Moscow disclosed last night.

Front dispatches relayed through Moscow reported the entire German position between Leningrad and Lake Ilmen was on the verge of collapsing under perhaps the most powerful Soviet drive of the war and said it was unofficially estimated that approximately 250,000 Germans were facing entrapment in the Volkhov sector east of the Leningrad-Vitebsk railroad running down through the center of the front.

Vicious Battle

Krasnogvardetsk, a large rail junction 25 miles southwest of Leningrad, was taken Tuesday night after a vicious house-to-house battle through the city of 42,000 which the Germans had converted into a fortress and then demolished before evacuating. Its capture climaxed a 12-day Red Army drive from Leningrad during which more than 40,000 German officers and men were killed and 3,000 captured, Moscow's broadcast communique announced.

A total of 10 German infantry divisions—approximately 150,000 men—were defeated and two other divisions suffered heavy losses during the offensive which has seen the Red Army completely break the siege of Leningrad by pushing its lines out to points 32 miles southwest, 26 south and 28 miles southeast of Russia's second city.

Moscow's communique indicated that the action in the Krasnogvardetsk area was developing into a German rout, and told of isolated Nazi groups saving themselves by throwing away their arms as they fled from Krasnogvardetsk. Several thousands Germans were killed in fighting on the approaches to Krasnogvardetsk and in its streets.

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Thursday, Jan. 27.— Flying through a vicious curtain of anti-aircraft fire, American Navy torpedo planes on Monday attacked vital Japanese shipping in Simpson harbor at Rabaul, New Britain, sinking six enemy ships totaling more than 27,500 tons. It was announced today.

Highlighting a series of widespread aerial operations in which American fliers downed 23 Jap fighter planes, the attack on Rabaul sent five cargo vessels and an oil tanker to the bottom and left two other vessels badly damaged.

Jap Losses Mount

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's communique listed the ships sunk as one 7,500-ton vessel, two 6,000-ton ships, one of 5,000 tons and a 3,000 ton ship. Tonnage of the oil tanker was not announced.

Running the three day total of Japanese planes destroyed or damaged at Rabaul to 102, the Navy raiders and escorting fighters outfought 60 enemy fighters over Rabaul and suffered "extraordinarily light" losses, the communique said.

Meanwhile, medium bombers again attacked the important enemy bases in the Admiralty Islands, 370 miles northwest of Rabaul, blasting the Lorengau airfield of Manus and the Momote field on nearby Los Negros.

London, Jan. 26.—RAF coastal command Beaufighters, roaring across the North Sea to blast five enemy ships off Norway, today encountered a new German defense weapon—a parachute projectile—while other Allied warplanes were hammering the bomb-scarred coast of northern France for the 35th time in 37 days.

The Beaufighters, which scored hits on two merchant vessels and two escort ships, leaving a medium-sized ablaze and causing an explosion in the other escort ships, ran into heavy fire from the ships and from shore.

The enemy ships used the new projectiles, which the Air Ministry said were of a type not encountered off Norway previously. A Beaufighter pilot, describing the new weapon, said: "The ships fired a rocket-like projectile which opened out in the air and had a canister attached by a cable to a parachute."

Naval observers said it appeared Adolf Hitler had merely caught up with the British navy and that the new Nazi "secret weapon" was the same as had been mounted on British ships for more than a year.

The British weapon consists of cable coils contained in a canister attached to a parachute and fired from a rocket-type anti-aircraft gun mounted on a deck tripod. The canisters are timed to explode in the vicinity of attacking

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