

Enemy Submarines Active Along The Coast Of Carolina

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ed by Napoleon. The Russians are said to be within sixty miles of Smolensk where Hitler apparently had planned to establish his winter headquarters.

Beaten back or withdrawing from Moscow, Hitler is still expected to launch another offensive somewhere. There is much speculation over his future plans, but some observers feel fairly certain he will move into the Mediterranean area.

Down in Rio De Janeiro, Peru today at noon was said to be still holding out in the move to solidify the Western Hemisphere. The movement for solidarity has made much progress, and Brazil has already taken steps to sever relations with the Axis.

In this country, the President is asking for 25 additional billions for the war chest. Donald Nelson, recently appointed chief of the new war board, is holding the first meeting of his group today and is proposing to consolidate certain agencies and take immediate steps to speed up the war effort.

Livestock Show In Rocky Mount

Rocky Mount—Expecting its fifth annual show on March 12 and 13 to be the best yet for both quality and quantity of stock, the Livestock Development Committee of the Rocky Mount Chamber of Commerce today began mailing catalogs and premium lists for the Eastern Carolina Fat Stock Show.

Secretary E. H. Austin said that the catalogs are now on their way to county agents throughout Eastern Carolina. Residents of counties east of, and including, Person, Durham, Wake, Harnett, Hoke and Scotland will be eligible to enter their prize beef cattle and swine. Show catalogs will also be mailed to exhibitors and vocational agriculture teachers in this section.

In addition to local members of the committee, the sponsors will be assisted by L. I. Case, animal husbandman; E. V. Vestal, swine specialist, and H. W. Taylor, marketing economist of the extension division of N. C. State College. Also assisting with the show will be Paul Fletcher, livestock marketing specialist of the State Department of Agriculture; P. D. May, field representative of the Southeastern Chain Store Council, and G. F. Booker of the agricultural development department of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co.

Besides local buyers, the show is expected to draw from 25 to 30 representatives of firms and packing houses.

Last year's show entries totalled 300 hogs and 86 head of beef cattle. The majority of the beef stock in the 1941 show was exhibited by 4-H club members and vocational agriculture students.

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Reduce Age Limit For Naval Aviators

Charleston, S. C.—To all young men in the Carolinas and Georgia who want to fly with the Navy, Sixth Naval District headquarters today announced the reduction of the minimum Class V-5 age requirement from 20 to 19 years.

Men enlisting in this class enter as Seamen 2nd class, are trained as aviation cadets, and emerge as commissioned officers—Ensigns with Wings."

U. S. Navy Recruiting Stations throughout the three states have full information on the requirements for Class V-5.

Men from 19 to 27 wishing to enlist in Class V-5 must have a minimum education of two full years of college credits, or the equivalent, and the physical, moral and psychological qualities required as an aviation cadet.

College juniors and seniors after enlistment in V-5 may be deferred from call to active duty until completion of their current college year, if they so request. Sophomores may enlist if they will have completed the two-year requirement by the end of the current school year. They will not be ordered to active duty until that requirement is fulfilled.

Cotton Saves Sheers

New York City—A noted fashion authority here is urging American women to conserve their supply of sheer hosiery by wearing new mesh cotton hosiery. The cotton hosiery is especially recommended for street wear with simple, well-tailored ensembles.

BUSINESS RUSH

All's not discouraging for filling station operators even though their tire sales are limited and there are prospects of curtailed sales of gas, oils and other items. Commenting on the situation yesterday, "Peeewee" Blount, Central Service Station employee, stated that tire patching was already underway on an increased scale, and that he really looked for a booming business next June and July.

Tires that were ordinarily discarded as worthless are being repaired, indicating that the rubber pinch is already being felt by some motorists.

Highly Respected Everett's Citizen Dies In Hospital

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She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. N. F. Roebuck, of Greenville, and Mrs. Robert L. Jackson, of Washington, and four sons, C. H. Delmas, Robert A. and Samuel M. Barnhill, all of this county. She also leaves a brother, Frank Whichard, of Wilmington.

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Everett's Christian Church by her pastor, Rev. J. M. Perry. Interment was in the Robersonville cemetery.

Government Calling More Stenographers

To meet wartime requirements of rapidly expanding governmental agencies in Washington City, the United States Civil Service Commission is calling for junior stenographers in large numbers. It is estimated that there are now 85,000 stenographers, secretaries and typists on the government payroll, but thousands more are needed, according to a special recruiting representative of the Civil Service who will be in the federal building at Washington tomorrow to interview applicants and give examinations in the afternoon. The papers will be rated and eligibles will be offered immediate appointment in the nation's capital.

Stenographic positions, paying \$1,440 a year to start with, require a general knowledge of shorthand and the ability to take dictation at the rate of 96 words a minute. Dictation must be transcribed on the typewriter, and applicants, taking the examination, must furnish their own typewriters.

Any person in Williamston or Martin County interested in the work is directed to report to the special recruiting representative in Washington tomorrow. Application form may be had at the Williamston post office.

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Mercy Plane To Go To The U. S. Navy

Upon the suggestion of a large number of contributors and with the sanction of the majority of county chairmen as well as the British-American Ambulance Corps, our ambulance airplane was offered to the United States Navy by Governor J. Melville Broughton, according to E. S. Peel, chairman of the drive in this county.

Officials of the Navy promptly accepted the gift and expressed deep appreciation to the people of North Carolina. The Navy is in urgent need of this particular type of equipment and the Old North State will likely be placed in immediate service.

The formal presentation will take place at Anacostia Field, near Washington, on Wednesday, January 21, when Governor Broughton will make the gift on behalf of the Old North State Fund, British-American Ambulance Corps and the citizens of North Carolina.

Stolen Jamesville Car Recovered By Patrolmen

The Chevrolet car stolen from Archie Hardison in Jamesville last Friday night was recovered by patrolmen near Washington Sunday afternoon, and William Ed Blount, said to have just returned from the roads for car stealing, was arrested by Constable Clarence Wallace and jailed by patrolmen and county officers.

Said to have admitted the theft, Blount explained that he drove the car to Washington, spent the night, and later abandoned it when the gas supply was exhausted. He walked back to Jamesville and was arrested a short time later.

Equipment

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The Sixth Week Of The War

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The originally scheduled 10,000, more than 90,000 privates will be selected to attend officer-training schools. All training centers and posts will be enlarged and five temporary tent camps will be set up. To make 2,000,000 more men eligible, the Army will lower age limits for aviation cadets from 20 to 18 years, make married men eligible, and change educational qualifications by eliminating college credit requirements.

Selective Service Director Hershey said the Army increase could be accomplished without calling up men with dependents. He said there are now 1,000,000 men in class 1-A but not yet called, and 900,000 more men can be obtained by reclassification of other men and from those men who will register February 16. He said deferment cases would be re-examined but deferments will continue to be given where possible to avoid undue disruption of family life. He said married men with one or more children probably will not be called until an Army of 7,000,000 to 8,000,000 has been built. He estimated 10,000,000 is the top number of men the U. S. could mobilize for service even with lowered physical standards.

Labor Disputes

The President abolished the National Defense Mediation Board and established a National War Labor Board with NDMB Chairman Davis as chairman. Four commissioners will represent the public, four will represent employees and four, industry. The new board has wider authority than the old board and can arbitrate or mediate disputes as it sees fit except that it cannot disregard existing labor legislation.

The Maritime War Emergency Board established war bonuses for sailors on merchant ships.

Autos

The OPA announced auto rationing would begin February 2 in the same manner as tire rationing. Of the 202,000 cars in the industry quota for January, about 150,000 cars will be stored with dealers who promise not to sell without permission—probably not to be granted before January, 1943—and then only at OPA-established prices.

OPA issued a schedule of prices for "retreadable" tire carcasses and "retreads" and forecast a ceiling over all used tires "in the very near future." Federal Loan Administrator Jones announced plans to increase synthetic rubber production capacity to 400,000 tons by pooling of resources and skills of the rubber and oil industries if priorities can be obtained from steel needed to erect plants. OPA Administrator Henderson said tire rationing would probably not be affected because of increasing military needs for rubber.

Censorship

Censorship Director Price, after consultation with newspaper, magazine and periodical editors, announced a code of conduct which publications were asked to follow in handling information in order to prevent information of a military nature reaching the enemy. Prohibited, unless officially released, are most details of military, naval or industrial establishments, casualty lists, damages to war facilities, movements of troops and ships, weather reports except of certain types, and movements of the President or of official military or diplomatic missions.

Agriculture

Agriculture Secretary Wickard said goals have been revised to call for the greatest agricultural production in U. S. history, with particular emphasis on the production of oil-bearing crops such as peanuts and soybeans. The corn goal was stepped up by five million acres in order that there be feed supplies to continue expansion of meat, dairy and poultry production. Dry edible bean and dry pea production increases were called for. An additional five million bushels of rice was asked and provision made for an increase over 1941 of more than 18 million cases of canned fruits and vegetables.

Civilian Defense

The OCD-announced 3,516,600 volunteers have enrolled in the various civilian defense services, including 1,423,755 assigned to training or duty in the protective services. The Office also announced a Victory Garden Program under which all families in any community can jointly till community gardens, use the produce themselves and give the surplus to schools and institutions.

Surgeon General Parran told the U. S. Conference of Mayors in Washington "the enemy has planned and in my opinion will use bacteriological warfare whenever possible." He asked the mayors to begin at once to take every possible precaution.

Conservation

The OPM Bureau of Industrial Conservation opened a program to mobilize the nation's 1,700,000 retail stores in a continuous drive to salvage materials—wastepaper, scrap metal, old rags, rubber—needed to produce weapons for the fighting forces. Signers will display window emblems signifying their part in the "Salute for Victory" program. The shopping public was asked to help conserve tires, trucks and paper by carrying home bundles instead of depending on delivery service. Consumers of natural gas in nine states, mostly in the midwest, were asked to cut consumption as much as possible.

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THE RECORD SPEAKS . . .

Motorists on Martin County highways proved that they could operate their vehicles an entire week without an accident. Patrolman Whit Saunders and Corporal C. B. Thompson state that no accidents were reported last week on the highways in this county. But even with the accident holiday, the current year record has a substantial lead over that for the corresponding period in 1941.

According to officers and observers, there has been a fairly noticeable decrease in speed, and possibly there is a slight reduction in the traffic volume.

The following tabulations offer a comparison of the accident trend, first, by corresponding weeks in this year and last and for each year to the present time.

3rd Week Comparison

	Accidents	Inj'd	Killed	Dam'ge
1942	0	0	0	\$000
1941	1	1	0	60
Comparison To Date				
1942	4	2	0	\$630
1941	1	1	0	60

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Abner Bennett Dies In County Home

Abner Bennett, 87-year-old colored man, died in the county home, near here, early last Saturday afternoon, his death writing finish to a colorful career for the old man.

Born into slavery, near Williamston, he was the son of Martin Bennett. His early life was spent on the farm where he figured in one escapade after another. Little is known of his boyhood days, but after he was considered an old man, he gained attention in the courts. One case among many others he figured in at the bar was brought by a horse exchange in a nearby town possibly more than a quarter of a century ago. Abner bought two mules and it seems that he never paid a cent on them, that at the end of three years the court action was started. The plaintiff did not get a cent, but Abner walked out of the courtroom with a judgment against the mule dealer for the case costs.

A victim of paralysis many years ago, old Abner kept right on dragging around, begging a nickel here and a dime there to keep soul and body together. Four years ago and almost against his will he was ordered to the county home, but at regular and fairly frequent intervals he would drag himself to town and take up his beggar's stand. Infirmities of age finally forced him to remain at the home, but he was able to be up for short periods until last Thursday when he was overcome by uremic poisoning, the end coming two days later.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, and interment was on the old Harrell farm near the Mobley Mill.

Rationing Board In County Has Surplus Of Car-Truck Tires

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fore September 16, 1940, and claims dependency is required only to prove that a condition of dependency exists under the definition of "dependent" as defined in Section 622.32;

(b) A registrant who married between September 16, 1940, and December 8, 1941, must not only prove that a condition of dependency exists but also that such status was not voluntarily acquired at a time when his selection was imminent or primarily for the purpose of providing him with a basis for deferment;

(c) A registrant who married on or after December 8, 1941, must not only prove that a condition of dependency exists but also that such status was acquired under circumstances beyond his control;

5. Section 622.31-b instructs the local board to determine all questions of Class III-A deferments with sympathetic regard for the registrant and his dependents and cautions the local board in doubtful cases to be mindful of injuries which may be expected to result from separating a father from his children or a husband from his wife, and announces the policy that "the maintenance of the family as a unit is of importance to the national well-being."

Martin County Transfer Company, Williamston, two truck tires and tubes, the applicant explaining that they were needed for the delivery of food to wholesalers;

Martin County Transfer Company, Robersonville, four truck tires and tubes for general hauling;

G. M. Anderson, Jamesville, one truck tire and tube for hauling lumber to Marine Base at Elizabeth City;

J. C. Norris, Williamston, truck tire and tube for maintaining plumbing and heating and roofing services.

The certificate granted the bakery, it was explained, will be exchanged and charged to the Rocky Mount quota.

A break for delinquent taxpayers was chalked up by the board when they delayed action on an application filed by Special Tax Collector S. H. Grimes for two tires. It is understood that the collector's tires will probably last a while longer.

WANTS

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