

Draft Machinery Is Ordered Speeded Up By Selective Board

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quickly trained for essential jobs, now needing men.

This survey will help to avoid inducting into the armed forces men who are more urgently needed in war productions, and also to speed up war production by promoting transfers of workers from non-essential to essential work.

Later on, men from 18 to 20 and from 45 to 65 will receive questionnaires like these. In this way, the government will soon have information on the job skills and experience of the entire male population of the United States between 18 and 65, or approximately 40 million men. The local county draft boards and the U. S. Employment Service will work very closely together in carrying out the objectives of this program.

Few Contests Have Been Announced So Far In This County

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Josiah Bailey are running for the United States Senate, and Marvin K. Blount, Jack Edwards and Herbert C. Bonner for the National House of Representatives from this district. Sam J. Morris and Stoner W. Klutz are out for the nomination for United States Senator.

The machinery for holding the primary election will be set up tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock when the members of the county board of elections meet in the courthouse and name the registrars and judges of election for the twelve precincts.

Fire Destroys Team And Property Early Yesterday Morning

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The fire spread rapidly from one building to another and threatened the home. Neighbors rushed to the scene, but they were too late to check the fire or save any of the property from the burning buildings. The fire was described as the most costly reported in a rural community in this county during recent years, and leaves the farmer facing a market depleted of many necessary tools, implements and machines.

Banks To Observe Next Monday As Holiday Here

Next Monday will be a holiday for local banks, the day marking the anniversary of the passing of the Halifax Resolves. No other places of business will observe the day as a holiday.

The 17th Week Of The War

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tors are cooperating with the boards in the surveys.

Prices

The Office of Price Administration froze manufacturers', wholesale and retail prices of plumbing fixtures and 44 common household electrical appliances, all at March 30th levels. Ceilings were also set on wholesale prices of bond, ledger, book and plain and fancy cover paper and Bristols, and on producers' quotations for Pennsylvania anthracite coal. The Agriculture Department said the retail cost of food is now 15 per cent above the 1935-39 average, but is still below the 1929 level.

Civilian Defense

Civilian Defense Director Landis said Axis air raids on American war industries this Spring are "entirely possible." He said, "It's worth a dozen bombers to the Germans to wreck vital industries, even in the heart of the country." Mr. Landis said \$20 million of OCD funds have been transferred to build facilities for manufacture of civilian gas masks. First shipments of helmets, arm bands and other equipment for air raid wardens and auxiliary firemen and police were sent to more than 40 Atlantic and Pacific coast cities.

The Armed Forces

The Senate passed and sent to the House a bill granting pay increases from \$30 to \$42 for privates and apprentice seamen, and providing proportional increases for other classes of enlisted men in the armed forces. The Post-Office department issued regulations for granting of free first class mailing privileges for all ranks of the armed forces. The Senate passed and sent to the House a bill eliminating restrictions on marriage of Army and Navy officers during the war. The President signed legislation to permit the War Department to recruit American technicians serving in foreign armed forces and to pay them more than \$21 a month during the first four months.

The House passed and sent to the Senate an \$18 billion War appropriation bill providing almost \$7 billion for military airplanes. The Senate passed and sent to the House a Naval Public Works bill to provide a billion dollars for expansion in aircraft and storage facilities. The War Department ruled officers and enlisted men, except those of the regular army, may campaign for and hold political office, if such activity does not interfere with military duties. Selective Service Headquarters instructed local boards to start classification of February 16 registrants, and to prepare to fill the Army's June call—and possibly the May call—from these men and the earlier registrants. SS headquarters also issued instructions to all local boards for registration of an estimated 13,500,000 men between 45 and 64 on April 27th.

The War Front

The Navy reported as of April 4, total Japanese losses inflicted by U. S. Naval forces included 21 warships sunk, 13 possibly sunk and 22 damaged; 48 non-combatant ships sunk, 14 possibly sunk and 14 damaged. The Army and Navy said Axis submarines sunk or presumed sunk by the Navy totaled 24, and those by the Army number four. Assistant Secretary of War For Air Lovett said U. S. pilots in the Far East are shooting down five Japanese planes for every plane lost.

Japanese bombers sank the U. S. Aircraft tender Langley, the Destroyer Peary and the Navy Tanker Pecos in the Southwest Pacific, with an estimated loss of 700 men. The Navy reported the torpedoing of 15 more United Nations merchant vessels in the Atlantic.

Shipping

The Maritime Commission reported all contracts have been awarded for the 23 million deadweight tons of merchant shipping—nearly 2,300 cargo ships and tankers—which the President has set as the 1942-43 goal.

The Senate passed and returned to the House a bill enlarging the war risk provisions of the Merchant Marine Act to allow insurance of foreign as well as domestic ships.

Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture said it had purchased more than \$800 million worth of farm commodities, totaling more than 7,500 million pounds, during the first year of the Department's expanded purchase

Australians on Alert for Enemy



With the Japs concentrated on New Guinea bases, only 400 miles from the Australian mainland, the continent "down under" is making feverish preparations for the coming struggle with the enemy, particular attention being given to anti-aircraft defenses. Hundreds of posts, like this one outside Melbourne, are springing up everywhere.

Fate Of Defenders Of Bataan In Doubt After Long Battle

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ceeded in enveloping the defending right flank and that a counter-attack—ordered by Lieutenant General Jonathan M. Wainwright to relieve the trapped units—"failed due to complete physical exhaustion of the troops."

At a special press conference, Stimson said, "Our troops, outnumbered and worn down by successive attacks of fresh troops, exhausted by insufficient rations and with disease prevalent in that peninsula, finally had their line broken by the enemy."

"A long and gallant defense has been worn down and overthrown. We have nothing but praise and admiration for the commanders and the men who have conducted this epic chapter in American history."

So ended the valiant struggle of men who fought fearlessly and magnificently.

The cards were stacked against them from the start and they knew it. But they fought on, killing Japanese, knocking Japanese planes out of the sky, silencing Japanese artillery—and gaining precious time for the United Nations by immobilizing a big Japanese army.

Today wherever liberty is cherished, men bowed in reverent tribute to these fighting men who fight no more.

The nation was proud of them, but was fighting mad, too.

This spirit was epitomized by Chairman Andrew J. May, (D-Ky.), of the House military affairs committee:

"It's tough to lose the Philippines," he said, "but damn them—we'll be back!"

In the dying days around the Philippines, Japanese forces paid heavily for their gains. A Jap cruiser was sunk, but five others and ten destroyers operated without mishap in landing additional forces to smash the last allied defense. Jap bombers attacked Corregidor in waves all day long yesterday and today, but the American flag still waved from the fortress.

In India, Allied and Indian leaders have reached an agreement whereby India will join the war effort against the Japs. But while the Allies were scoring a diplomatic victory a costly naval battle was in progress for the British. Two cruisers and a 20-year-old, 10,000-ton aircraft carrier were lost in an engagement about ten miles off the island of Ceylon. The Japs claim they inflicted other losses, but they have not been confirmed.

American war leaders, meeting with British leaders in London today, are urging offensive action. It is far better to strike and create a new front now for Hitler than it is to wait for more reinforcements, it was pointed out. The presence of General George Marshall in London has some significance, but the meaning has not been divulged.

Encouraging reports came out of Russia today, one communique stating that two German divisions had been smashed northwest of Moscow and that thousands of the invaders had been killed during the past 24 hours. An official spokesman for the Red Army today declared that the Russian forces would liquidate the German armies on the Eastern front this year.

Hitler is having troubles back home where he has issued drastic orders in an effort to keep production schedules from cracking. The workers are breaking under long hours and insufficient food. Saboteurs are more active, and it would appear that Adolf's headache is being aggravated at home and in all the conquered countries.

In this war, the big boys are getting warmed up over bottlenecks program—March 15, 1941, to March 15, 1942. More than half of all purchases were for meat, dairy and poultry products. Most purchases were for lend-lease shipment.

The Agriculture Department reported prices of all farm products combined were 99 per cent of parity on March 15, 1942, and 46 per cent above the 1909-14 average. The Commodity Credit Corporation reported it has contracted for the sale, during the period ending April 30th, of about 5,500,000 bushels of corn and about 240,000 bushels of wheat to be processed into industrial alcohol.

Aids Night Fliers



C. P. Phonograph

Shown are the new dark adapter lenses developed by the Medical Research Section of the Navy's Bureau of Aeronautics. These plastic polaroid goggles with red lenses, enable pilots to work under full illumination thus eliminating the twenty to thirty minutes period usually spent in the dark room to condition the eyes of a pilot before a night flight.

CIVIL SERVICE

Seven Robersonville High School students, now enrolled in the eleventh and twelfth grades, took the Civil Service examination in Greenville, N. C., last Friday and passed. They were immediately offered positions as senior typists in Washington, D. C.

Those passing the test were: Mable Curtis, Mattie Roebuck, Alma Bullock, Mary Jenkins, Dorothy Matthews, Maxine Smith, and J. H. Dixon. Miss Helen Davis, commercial teacher, accompanied the group to Greenville.

Easter Buying Was For The Duration

Easter's traditional shot in the arm to store sales, while considerable, this year was somewhat swallowed up in the steady surge of shopping "for the duration." That surge has spurred clothing and household supplies sales, and has kept the nation's department store sales showing steady margins—of 24 to 26 per cent—over comparable weeks of last year, for more than two months now. . . . Most spectacular single item has been men's suits—of which as many were sold in first three months of this year as ordinarily in eight months.

Many stores are advertising in an effort to discourage advance-of-needs buying. . . . Philadelphia stores reported an acute shortage of men's work clothes. . . . San Francisco commented upon the predominance of "cash on the counter" in its brisk store business. . . . Salesmen in one Boston store have had their own trousers de-cuffed, for the psychological effect on customers (the no-cuffs order now applies to garments that were already in retail stock.)

Rubber

Ninety-eight per cent of new American rubber came from British Malaya, the Netherlands East Indies, and adjacent territory, all in the Far East fighting zone.

Anti-Freeze

Because there may be none available for civilian use in the future, the WPB is asking farmers and others to save the anti-freeze they drain from their radiators this spring for next winter.

Pasteurizer

Development of a device which pasteurizes soil, effectively killing disease-producing organisms has been announced by scientists of the California College of Agriculture.

In the high places, Commerce Secretary James and Editor Mayer of the Washington Post clashed following an argument growing out of certain charges directed against Jones and his financing of a war industry.

President Roosevelt today stated that a plan was being advanced against inflation, but the nature of the plan was not disclosed. Some observers believe it will be in the form of increased taxation. The President also stated that women between 18 and 65 would be asked to volunteer their services and aid the war effort.

Drying Vegetables, Fruits Are Urged

Home drying is a satisfactory method of preserving certain fruits and vegetables, says Miss Ruby Scholz, Extension conservationist of N. C. State College. Used as a supplement to canning and storage, it will reduce the cost of the food budget and provide an adequate variety of food for winter use, she pointed out.

Some of the advantages of drying, or dehydration, listed by Miss Scholz are: The product's weight is only one-fourth to one-ninth of the weight of the fresh materials; there is a considerable reduction in bulk; storage is possible for long periods without the use of hermetically sealed special containers; and very little special equipment is needed.

Among fruits best suited for drying are apples, peaches, and pears. Berries and figs do not dry successfully in this climate, the Extension worker reported, and are most palatable when canned in syrup by the hot water bath method, or when made into preserves.

Miss Scholz says that drying is advised for a limited number of vegetables. "Dried vegetable materials are prone to deteriorate in flavor and table quality," she explained. "This is especially true of asparagus, spinach, cauliflower, and green peas."

"Corn is delicious when dried. So are green peas, some greens, and peas. Vegetables to be dried require partial cooking before they undergo the drying process. This pre-cooking should be done in steam rather than water, to preserve the food value."

Types of dryers for fruits and vegetables include the outdoor, screen tray, oven and stove dryer. The outdoor pan should be of wire netting, cheese-cloth covered, and slanted to the direct sun. Drying also can be done in trays, on canvas, or on non-resinous boards on a slanting roof.

Limited Amounts of Seed Soy Beans And Peanuts Available

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asked them to plant as their direct part in supporting the war program. The soy bean acreage will be far greater than the number of acres the government is asking the farmers to plant.

Three Errors In Draft Order Numbers Corrected

Making a final check of the third registration order numbers yesterday, the county draft board office corrected three errors. The serial number, T-219 belonging to Simon Amos Perry was the 10,654th number drawn. Serial number T-605 belonging to James Oliver Keel was the 10,084th number drawn, and the serial number, T-1220, belonging to Benjamin Laneer Daniel, was the 10,628th number drawn in the national lottery. All other numbers were found correct.

"Woman's Day" Will Be Observed In Local Church

"Woman's Day," sponsored by the Woman's Council of the Williamson Christian Church, will be observed Sunday night, April 12th. At the evening service, Rev. John Goff will deliver a special message in keeping with the program arranged by the ladies. The women of the town are asked to attend.

Probably the most outstanding change in the poultry marketing picture during the past five years has been the increase in the number of turkeys raised and sold.

Candidate Cards

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

I hereby announce my candidacy for renomination as Clerk of the Superior Court of Martin County, subject to the Democratic Primary on May 30, 1942. If re-nominated and re-elected, I renew my pledge to perform the duties of this office to the best of my ability and according to law. I am deeply appreciative of all courtesies and favors extended to me in the past and of your loyal support during my tenure of office.

L. BRUCE WYNNE.

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

Subject to the wishes of the voters of Martin County in the May 30th Democratic primary, I hereby announce my candidacy for County Commissioner from the Griffins-Bear Grass district. If nominated and elected I pledge my very best efforts in handling the affairs of our county and promoting the best interest of all the people.

R. L. PERRY, R.F.D. 2, Williamson, N.C.

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

Subject to the wishes of the Democratic voters in the May 30th Democratic Primary, I hereby announce my candidacy for renomination as Treasurer of Martin County.

I pledge my best efforts in performing the duties of this office. Your support will be sincerely appreciated.

DICK SMITH.

NOTICE OF CANDIDACY

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Martin County, subject to the wishes of the voters to be expressed in the Democratic primary on May 30, 1942. If nominated and elected I pledge my best efforts in performing the duties of the office and in justifying the trust reposed in me.

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