

HUNS UNDER CONTINUAL BOMBARDMENT

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF

From the State and Nation

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. — Leo T. Crowley, the alien property custodian, today announced plans for making enemy-owned patents "readily and freely available forever to American industry, and to encourage the research necessary to develop" them. Unless American firms hold exclusive rights to their use, granted before the war, licenses will be issued on application "to any legitimate business concern on a royalty-free basis for the life of the patent." Patents held by citizens of the occupied countries are to be treated similarly, except that if they are used after the war emergency has ended, reasonable royalties will be collected.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. — Lt. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, chief of the army air forces, declared today that aerial control of the Mediterranean — and possibly of the entire European theater of war — hinges on the outcome of the crucial air struggle now raging over Tunisia. He told a press conference that the Germans, aware of the vital issue at stake, are working "feverishly" to build up their aerial power in North Africa by withdrawing planes from the Russian front and to a lesser extent from Europe. "At present," he said, "it is touch and go as to who is stronger. In some sections, we are; in others, they are."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. — War manpower Chairman Paul V. McNutt tonight began centralizing the government's manpower activities by establishing within the WMC a new bureau of selective service under direction of Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, head of the selective service system. McNutt was given control over selective service Saturday when President Roosevelt formally named him manpower chief. He said Hershey will remain in charge of the new bureau, subject to the direction and supervision of Arthur Fleming, WMC executive director, and that the system will function without change for the present.

INTERNATIONAL

LONDON, Dec. 8. — French West Africa has joined the United Nations as an ally in "the prosecution of the war against the axis" and has made available its airfields to short-cut the allied plane transit routes and port facilities and fleet units at Dakar to end the U-boat menace in the South Atlantic. Important ships of the surviving French fleet including the modern battleship Richelieu and three cruisers apparently came under the United Nations banner along with Dakar and French West Africa under agreement "for prosecution of the war against the axis."

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Dec. 8. — American and Australian troops slowly are expanding their positions at four points along the Buna-Gona coast of New Guinea despite heavy cross fire from the besieged Japanese, front dispatches reported today. On Monday, the allied troops continued to mop up machine gun and mortar positions, advancing a few yards at a time, in preparation for the final assault on the Japanese strongholds. Although Gen. Douglas MacArthur's Tuesday communique reported intermittent fighting on all sectors, a headquarters spokesman said "they have been fighting to beat hell up there."

JOHNSON NAMED CITY TREASURER BY TOWN BOARD

Dixie Graham Is Appointed Town Clerk

ARE TO SUE FOR TAXES

Attorney Instructed to Act to Collect Back Tax on Real Estate

MILK ORDINANCE LAW

Garland Johnson, vice-president of The Bank of Elkin, has been appointed treasurer of the Town of Elkin, and Dixie Graham, who has served as tax collector and purchasing agent for several years, has been named town clerk.

Appointments were made by the board of commissioners at their meeting Monday night. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Graham succeeded the late Paul Gwyn, who prior to his recent death held both offices.

The board also ordered that W. M. Allen, town attorney, enter suit for all unpaid taxes for the year 1940 and preceding years, on real estate, and all street assessments that are in arrears.

P. D. Cain, Surry sanitary officer, asked the board to adopt the Public Health Service Standard Milk Ordinance, edition of 1939. This was done and a certified copy of the ordinance is on file at the city tax office, where it may be seen upon request.

CHECK FLASHER IS UNDER BOND

Alleged to Have Forged Name of J. T. Inskeep; Hudspeth Bound Over

OTHER CASES ARE TRIED

Bland Hall, young white man of this section, has been placed under \$1,250 bond on two charges of forgery, and is awaiting hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall on January 4.

The young man is alleged to have cashed a number of checks at local stores, all bearing the name of J. T. Inskeep, of Roaring Gap.

Sid Hudspeth, Jr., charged with possession of whisky for sale, was bound over to Surry superior court under \$300 bond following a hearing Monday morning before Magistrate Hall.

A charge of operating a slot machine, lodged against Hudspeth by Chief of Police Corbett Wall, is to be tried before Magistrate Hall next Monday. Bond in this case has also been placed at \$300.

June Allen, negro soldier home on leave, was bound over to superior court under \$300 bond on charges of operating an automobile while intoxicated, reckless driving and affray.

Other cases disposed of were: William McCrary, negro, assault, costs.

Robert Lee, Lee Hudson, Casey Haynes, each charged with public drunkenness, \$2.50 and costs.

KIWANIANS ARE TO FETE SQUAD

Interesting 4-H Program Is Presented At Meeting Held Last Week

MOTION PICTURE, SHOWN

The Elkin high school football squad will be guests of the Elkin Kiwanis Club this evening (Thursday), at their meeting at Hotel Elkin at 6:30 o'clock. Letters will be awarded, and the boys will be in full charge of the program.

At last week's meeting an interesting program was presented

NAZIS NABBED Members of the German armistice commission in Morocco, captured by American forces who landed there during the North African operations, are shown being marched off for internment by an American corporal. Taking orders from a corporal is nothing new for them. That was Der Fuehrer's rank in the German Army.



Large Number Draftees Are To Be Entertained

Auxiliary Is Seeking Cards For Veterans

Old playing cards are being sought by the Woman's Auxiliary of the George Gray Post of the American Legion. These cards will be sent to the veterans' hospitals at Oteen and Fayetteville to furnish entertainment for disabled War Veterans.

Boxes will be placed in Turner Drug Company, Abernethy's and Elk Pharmacy and any one having a complete deck of old cards is asked to leave them at either of the three collection places before December 15th.

Plans Made For Banquet At "Y" Monday Evening

With one of the largest groups of selectees yet to be ordered to camp for induction to leave next week, local citizens are planning a banquet in their honor to be held at the Y. M. C. A. next Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

This banquet is expected to be the biggest yet staged for inductees, and 200 or more people, including the draftees, are expected to be present. Ladies especially are cordially invited and urged to attend.

Rev. Herman F. Duncan, pastor of the Elkin Methodist church, will be the principal speaker, and W. M. Allen will act as toastmaster. The Jugtown Band will provide music for the event.

All soldiers, sailors and marines who are here on furlough Monday are invited to attend the banquet as guests.

The local draft board, in announcing the names of the men who are to go to camp this month, stated that when they return home after induction for a short furlough, they will not have to go back until December 26, and thus will be able to spend Christmas day at home.

It was also announced that McNeer Fields, and Arthur Felts, two local men, are enlisted in the air force, and are awaiting call for training.

Men who were 18 years of age in July and August, 1942, must register December 11 to 17, it was said. Those who reached their 18th birthday in September and October of this year, must register December 17 to 23. Those who became 18 in November and who have or will celebrate their 18th birthday this month, will register December 25 to 31. Those concerned must go to Dobson and register with the Draft Board, it was said, between the hours of 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. After December 31 boys who reach 18 years of age are required to register on their birthday, or if that date is Sunday or a legal holiday, they are to register on the following day.

The list of young men to leave next week follows:

Robert Landis Whitaker, Rt. 4, Danville, Va.; Edward Sanford Bledsoe, Dobson; Gilbert Herman Simpson, Rt. 4, Mt. Airy; Jessie Beauford McCoin, State Road; Clarence Fred Poindexter, Rt. 2, Dobson; Thomas Howard Sams, Rt. 1, Pilot Mountain; Charlie Clarence Wilson, Lowgap; Lonnie Franklin Atkins, Rt. 4, Mt. Airy; Walter Paul Golden, Mountain Park; Clyde Edward White, West End Ave., Schoolfield, Va.; Floyd Bruner, Rt. 1, Ararat; Theron Odell Miller, Elkin; Corbit Norman, Dobson; Thurmond Alton Stewart, Box 81, Elkin; James Wiley Weatherman, Elkin; James Dobbins, Star Rt., Dobson; Lee

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Charity Methodist church, in charge of Rev. Grant Cothren. Interment was in the church cemetery.

He is survived by two sons and two daughters, Clifton Hanks of Benham; Reuben Hanks, Mrs. Charlie Reavis and Miss Fannie Hanks, all of this city.

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Y. M. C. A. DRIVE IS OFF TO GOOD BEGINNING HERE

Leaders and Workers Hold Dinner Meeting

J. W. SMITH IS SPEAKER

"Y" Officials Enthusiastic Over Prospects of Successful Campaign

IS BIG ASSET TO ELKIN

At a dinner meeting held at the Y. M. C. A. here Tuesday evening on the eve of the start of the annual "Y" membership drive, leaders and workers in the drive were addressed by J. Wilson Smith, general secretary of the Interstate Y. M. C. A. for North and South Carolina.

Mr. Smith, speaking on the subject: "Five Turning Points in the World's History," made an excellent talk which revolved around the idea that "somebody trained that child." His illustrations were taken from actual historical facts, and proved that "as the tree is bent, so is the tree inclined to grow."

Officials of the "Y" and the workers are very enthusiastic over the prospects of a successful drive, and thus far have not been disappointed. It is believed the membership will remain the same, or perhaps exceed last year despite the fact that approximately 400 young men from this community have entered the armed forces.

The Y. M. C. A. is an asset to the community, and whether or not a person plans to attend the "Y" activities, his membership will help some deserving boy or girl who otherwise might not find such privileges available.

FARM MACHINE ALLOTMENT LOW

Farmers Are Urged to Repair Present Equipment Whenever Possible

FIGURES ANNOUNCED

Farm machinery rationing quotas for Surry county for 1943 have been received by A. P. Cobb, Surry county agent, according to information received Wednesday morning. Mr. Cobb stated that the quota for the county was extremely low and that farmers were urged to repair present equipment wherever possible.

The quota allows 5 one-horse single row planters; one grain drill; 7 one-horse walking mold board plows; 4 walking 2-horse mold board plows; 1 tractor mold board plow; 6 spike tooth harrows; 4 disk harrows; 7 one-horse cultivators; one tractor cultivator; 2 tractors; 11 farm wagons; 2 cream separators and one milk cooler.

Stocks now in the hands of retailers are not included in the quota, but machinery in the hands of manufacturers and distributors is included. The supply now in dealers hands makes an additional county supply available for sale to farmers upon the issuance of a purchase certificate by the county rationing committee. These purchase certificates are required for all farm equipment and farmers are requested to make application at once in order that the county rationing board may determine the distribution of equipment. Dealers and farmers may obtain the necessary certificates from the office of the county agent in Dobson.

Dealers in farm equipment who have not listed their stocks with the county rationing board are urged to do so at once and this order was issued by the War Production Board.

INCREASE

Continued expansion in industrial activity and in consumer income during the next few months is expected to increase further domestic demand for farm products.

Position Of Allies Improved By Greater Air Force Activity

Chemical Fighter



Looking like a man from Mars, this sailor is fully prepared to combat poisonous gas and remove it from any object it may have come in contact with — without harming himself.

COUNTER BLOW PUSHES NAZIS FROM POSITION

Air Force Is Now Giving Effective Support

REDS MOVE FORWARD

Nazi Troops Are Said Ordered To Retreat

POSITIONS ARE SMASHED

London, Dec. 9.—Allied ground forces their position improved by counterattacks and increased protection from their air forces, kept Axis columns in the Tebourba area of Tunisia under continual artillery bombardment today.

An allied headquarters announcement broadcast by radio Morocco said American and British air forces, with American pilots playing a major part, were now giving effective support to the hard-pressed forward units of Lt. Gen. Kenneth A. N. Anderson's ground forces in the northern Tunisia defense triangle.

"After the allied counterattack in the region of Tebourba," it said, "Axis columns have been continually under fierce allied artillery fire."

American and British tanks had smashed a German effort to penetrate allied positions west of Tebourba, driving back enemy armored columns after they had knifed their way into the allied lines. The Germans withdrew after heavy fighting, Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, allied commander, announced in an official communique.

Today's announcement from radio Morocco said the Allies continued to concentrate land and air

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EXPERT IS TO GIVE TAX AID

Leon L. Rice, Jr., Tax Attorney, To Be Located With Law Firm Here

FOR NECESSARY TIME

Leon L. Rice, Jr., tax attorney, and connected with the law firm of Wombie, Carlyle, Martin and Sandridge, of Winston-Salem, is to be associated with Allen and Henderson, attorneys-at-law, here as to matters pertaining to income tax and other tax problems. Mr. Rice will spend the required amount of time to fully serve clients at Mr. Allen's office. A native of Anderson, S. C., he is a graduate of Furman University, and also a graduate of the Duke University Law School. In 1937-40 he was attorney in the Chief Counsel's office, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C. He has specialized in tax practice since 1940.

MAY BUY WHEAT TO FEED STOCK

Government Owned Grain Will Be Available to Farmers At Low Price

SHOULD SEE AAA MEN

The farmers of Surry county may purchase government owned wheat for feeding to livestock and poultry, at prices in line with the cost of corn.

The wheat is being offered for sale in Surry county by the Commodity Credit Corporation at \$1.02 per bushel, for December deliveries, in carload lots. Maximum cars contain 1,600 bushels, and de-

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Baskets Not to Be Distributed This Christmas

At a meeting of the board of Associated Charities Friday afternoon at the city hall it was decided that due to increased employment that Christmas baskets would not be distributed by the association this year, as has been the annual custom. However a White Christmas for children of the community is being planned by the association.