

# This Week In Defense

President Roosevelt, declaring that a strike at the North American Aviation plant in Inglewood, Calif., was impeding the defense program, ordered the Army to operate the plant after workers rejected Mediation Board terms for settlement. Two days after taking over, the Army reported "100 per cent efficiency" with all employees returned to work. The President said plants which he might be forced to place under Federal control will be returned to private management as soon as possible.

The House voted for an amendment to the 1942 Army appropriation bill to prohibit the payment of funds to any individual or company failing within 10 days to abide by Mediation Board recommendations for settlement of disputes. The Senate approved a declaration that strikes or lock-outs in defense industries are "contrary to sound public policy."

The Mediation Board announced settlement of three labor disputes, including the dispute of the soft coal industry. The U. S. Conciliation Service announced settlement of 34 additional disputes.

### Selective Service

Selective Service Headquarters ordered reclassification of all registrants "impeding the defense program." The order said "the citizen who has been deferred because of the job he is performing in the national defense program cannot expect to retain the status of deferment when he ceases to work on the job for which he was deferred."

The Senate approved a bill to defer men who reach their 28th birthday by July 1 of this year, except those already in the Service.

### Foreign Affairs

The State Department announced sinking of the American freighter Robin Moor in the south Atlantic by a German submarine. Announcing the rescue of only 11 of the 46 persons forced to abandon the ship, Under Secretary Welles told the press that international law requires precautions must be taken for the safety of the passengers and crew before a ship is sunk.

### Ships

The OPM granted full priority for materials necessary in the building of 289 merchant ships for U. S. and Great Britain and the 312 special lease-lend vessels.

OPM Production Director Biggers, speaking at Quebec, said "almost every ship now building in our rapidly expanding yards is ahead of schedule." The Maritime Commission directed the Southern Pacific Company to deliver for national defense purposes its entire fleet of 10 vessels (66,600 tons), formerly used in coast-wise trade.

### Lease-Lend Aid

President Roosevelt reported to Congress that \$75,202,425 of war materials have been transferred to the democracies since the enactment of the lease-lend law and \$4,277,412 879 has been allocated for further aid out of the \$7,000,000,000 provided by Congress. He said that work has started on agreements with foreign governments on the terms and conditions of the aid they receive.

### Civilian Defense

Civilian Defense Director LaGuardia stated organization of medical groups auxiliary police and fire units, sanitation, and first aid squads are the necessary basis for adequate home defense. He said panic is to be avoided under all circumstances and it will be necessary to educate the public to the absolute necessity of obeying instructions.

Mr. LaGuardia said firemen and policemen from 40 Eastern cities will be trained in combatting poison gas and incendiary and high explosive bombs in 17, two-week courses at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., under the direction of the Army Chemical Warfare Service. Trainees will return home and instruct fellow townmen.

OPM announced it will soon begin a nation-wide campaign to collect scrap aluminum from civilians. A test drive in Richmond, Va., and at Madison, Wisc., it was said, produced

enough of the metal to build 16 pursuit planes or two and one-half bombers.

### OIL

Defense Petroleum Coordinator Ickes told a press conference that curbs on petroleum consumption along the Atlantic coast appear inevitable but the degree of restriction would depend on public cooperation in conserving oil and gasoline. He said the American Automobile Association has pledged a campaign to cut down consumption of gasoline by motorists by slower driving, elimination of hasty "getaways" in traffic, and proper engine adjustments. He said Bureau of Standards tests showed a car which gets 18 miles to the gallon at 30 m.p.h. will get only 8.6 miles to the gallon at 80.

### Power

The Federal Power Commission reported "many areas of the country are now—facing power shortages—Unless orders are issued immediately for large amounts of additional capacity for 1943, serious shortages will develop."

OPM Director General Knudsen announced OPM has formally approved the St. Lawrence Waterway and Power Project "as part of the all-out defense effort." The President allotted \$200,000 for construction of a cooperative transmission system to carry power from the Pensacola Dam to 15 REA cooperatives in Kansas, Arkansas, Missouri, and Oklahoma to provide for development of zinc deposits for defense.

### Coal

The Office of the Bituminous Coal Consumers' Counsel announced a campaign—endorsed by defense consumer, price and transportation officials—to promote buying and storing of next winter's coal this summer to lighten the load that movement of crops and defense materials will place upon the transport system beginning next fall. The Office warned consumers against "panicky" buying at high prices and said the supply of bituminous coal is ample for all needs.

### Prices

Administrator Henderson, of the Office of Price Administration and Civilian Supply, arranged with the industries concerned to prevent unjustified price increases in coffee, plywood, paper board, crude oil, gasoline, and automobiles. Mr. Henderson told certain auto firms to withdraw recently announced price rises because they "are inconsistent with the favorable earning position of the industry."

### Priorities

OPM placed borax and boric acid, aluminum scrap, zinc, copper, and synthetic rubber under full priority control. OPACS announced programs to allocate sufficient quantities of these materials for essential civilian needs.

Vice President Wallace, speaking in Washington, said the democratic way is for each citizen to put off non-essential purchases until after the emergency so that more material will be available for defense.

### Defense Housing

Defense Housing Coordinator Palmer announced there have been completed 14,293 defense dwelling units in 55 localities of 26 States and territories. Speaking to the Conference for National Housing Inventory, Mr. Palmer said it may be necessary to ask Congress for an additional \$500,000,000 to construct 125,000 homes in defense areas in addition to the 97,000 already contracted for.

### REVISED

The U. S. Department of Agriculture now recommends a spray containing only half as much tartar emetic and one-fourth as much brown sugar as previously recommended for thrips injury to gladiolus blooms.

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## CALCUT TO SERVE ONE YEAR ON ROADS

Slot Machine King Loses His Last Court Battle—Term Begins June 20th.

Joe Calcutt, of Fayetteville, one-time slot machine king in North Carolina who grew very wealthy through the nefarious business, will begin on June 20 his term of one year on the Wake county roads, a sentence imposed on him in Wake Superior court last December by Judge Hunt Parker for violation of the state's slot machine law.

Judge John J. Burney issued the imprisonment order last Friday in Raleigh as counsel for Calcutt apparently reached the end of legal maneuverings that have carried the case to the State Supreme court and back to Wake Superior court again.

"We contemplate no further legal proceedings," said J. Wilbur Bunn, of Raleigh, member of the defense counsel.

No notice of another Supreme court appeal was given. Calcutt paid a fine of \$10,000 and posted \$10,000 bond as a guarantee that he would surrender to the sheriff of Wake county on June 20.

In the case last December, Calcutt pleaded guilty to an indictment containing two counts. On the first, Judge R. Hunt Parker sentenced him to a year on the roads. On the second, the judge suspended an additional two year term on a number of conditions.

These conditions including placing of Calcutt on probation for five years, payment of \$10,000 fine, dissolution of his slot machine business, Calcutt's refraining from political activity for five years, and others.

The State Supreme court several weeks ago upheld the sentence on the first count but remanded the case to the Wake court for resentencing on the second.

Judge Burney overruled motions of Calcutt's counsel to quash the indictment and handed down this sentence on the second count of the indictment: One year on the roads suspended on good behavior for two years and a fine of \$10,000.

He then ordered Calcutt's commitment to serve the one-year term on the first count.

## LEADS

The native American black walnut, prized for the fine furniture its wood makes, continues to yield the highest priced timber in the United States, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

## COTTON

It is now estimated that the world cotton crop for the 1940-41 season will be approximately 29,700,000 bales produced on 75,500,000 acres.

Teacher—In which of his battles was Alexander the Great killed?  
Pupil—I think it was his last!

## MICRO NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Creech and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Phil Howell, in Goldsboro, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ina Mae Pearce is spending this week in Moyock, with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Venoy Underwood, of Selma, visited Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Underwood Sunday.

Walter Boykin, of Jacksonville, Fla., is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Boykin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Neal, of Smithfield, Mr. and Mrs. John Hawley, of Goldsboro, and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Jenkins, of Ayden, were guests of Mrs. Sallie Mazingo, Sunday.

Miss Vick Mazingo joined a party of friends in Ayden last week and went to Virginia Beach for a few days.

Dr. M. Hinnant, C. B. Hinnant and Miss Margaret Hinnant spent Monday in Chapel Hill.

A. T. Gaddy attended the Scout Jamboree at Camp Tuscarora last week.

Miss Frances Jean Davis is spending this week in Selma with her aunt, Mrs. J. V. Chamblee.

Mrs. Hazel Strickland spent last week in Princeton with relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Creech and family and Miss Thelma Williamson, of Fayetteville, and Charlie Batten, of Rose Hill, visited Mrs. C. L. Batten during the week end.

Miss Derusha Gay has returned after a two weeks' vacation in Gumberry with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Manning, of Williamston, spent Friday night with Dr. and Mrs. M. Hinnant.

Mrs. Nora Mash and daughter, Marie, Miss Lucile Moser and Russell Wellons, of Washington, D. C., were guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Wellons Tuesday night.

Miss Margaret Collier, of Raleigh, spent the week end with her parents.

Mrs. Joe Stephenson, of Smithfield, spent the week end with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. William Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Scott, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Barbour and family, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with Mrs. Emma Hawkins.

Misses Hazel Pearce, Cora Lee Worley, and Herbert and Earl Aycock are spending several days in Florida, with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vann, Mr. and Mrs. Argo Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Batten, T. C. Wall and children, Rosaline, Joe and Ruth Hatcher spent a few days last week on a fishing trip to Morehead.

Miss Hazel Hatcher, of Rocky Mount, spent Wednesday with her parents.

## Given Surprise Birthday Dinner

While Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wall and family were at Sunday school Sunday morning, a few of their intimate friends and relatives gathered at Mr. Wall's home and spread a sumptuous dinner on an improvised table in the yard. Mrs. Wall had previously invited the guests and planned the affair as a surprise to her husband.

Those present on this occasion, including their families, were: Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wall, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Waley Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wall, Mr. and Mrs. John Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Ner Hatcher, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hatcher, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Batten, Mrs. Charlie Bridgers, all of Micro; Mr. and Mrs. Harper Hatcher, of Whiteville; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ellis, of Goldsboro; Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Woodard and Miss Myrtle Grey Thompson, of Selma; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spivey, of Newport News, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Argo Brown of Selma.

## F.W.B. Leagues Meet With Mrs. Hubert Pulley

On the last Wednesday night in May, the three Leagues of the F.W.B. Church held their monthly social in the home of Mrs. Hubert Pulley. The meeting was presided over by Mr. Jack Avery, acting chairman, followed by a hymn. Dorothy Wilkins, program chairman, presented the devotional. It consisted of a poem, "The Town of Don't You Worry," and a revised version of the same poem in Christian terms. A thought from it goes thus: "If you can look at yourself in the mirror and smile because you're a Christian, Don't You Worry! Your life will have a happy ending!"

Mr. Avery led in prayer service, followed by song. The business of the evening was brief, concerning only a means of raising money on the church debt fund. It was decided that each member bring a special offering to the next joint social and business meeting.

After playing several interesting games, the group was served by Mrs. Pulley. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Pulley, Hilda Pulley, Joan Pulley, Mrs. J. H. Wilkins, Jane Belle House, Mary Rose House, Edna Grey Morgan and Dorothy Wilkins.

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## Henderson Lady Gets First North Carolina Palmolive Contest Prize

Mrs. Robert W. Pegram, 607 Chestnut Street, Henderson, N. C., has just received a \$50.00 cash prize from the makers of Palmolive Soap. This was the second prize offered on June 5th in the daily Palmolive contest that runs through June 27th.

Palmolive Soap was one of the six prize winners of this date. The prize presented to the Henderson lady by W. S. Goodwin, the local Colgate Palmolive Company's representative. Rawles Grocery & Market also received a prize for selling the prize winning Palmolive.

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