



LEARNING TO THWART ENEMY BOMBING RAIDERS — Would-be air invaders bent on bombing the Carolinas would find the going mighty rough, and a goodly share of their rough going could be attributed to these young ladies, six of more than 200 Wilmington women volunteers learning to operate the air raid warning system in the postoffice.

Intensive Air-Raid Warning Classes Open In Wilmington

MORE THAN 200 WOMEN REPORT

Lieut. Whitcomb Divides Volunteers Into Three Classes of 70 Each

Divided into three classes of approximately 70 persons each, more than 200 women Friday began an intensive two-week course of training in the mechanics of operating Wilmington's complex U. S. Army air-raid warning system, located in the postoffice basement.

Among the initial work was the selecting of as many specialists as possible to assist the instructors.

Four Pilots of American Eagle Squadron Reported Dead in British Service

LONDON, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Four American pilots serving with the RAF were killed while flying in Britain recently, it was learned authoritatively tonight.

House Speeds 6 Billion Aid Measure To Senate

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—(AP)—With administration forces in full command, the House approved and sent to the Senate unchanged tonight President Roosevelt's request for a \$5,985,000,000 lend-lease appropriation to continue aid to nations resisting aggression.

U. S. MAY 'ENLIST' WOMEN 'SOLDIERS'

War Department Will Urge Congress to Approve Uniformed Group

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The Army Air corps disclosed today that it intended to summon—if Congress approved—a uniformed group of 25,000 to 40,000 American women volunteers to handle highly technical and secret work in the corps air-raid interceptor command.

BARRAGE BALLOON RECOVERED AT SEA

Coast Guard Cutter Finds Drifting Bag Unharmed; Towed to Oak Island

An Army barrage balloon which broke from its moorings at Camp Davis Thursday afternoon was recovered late Friday 15 miles at sea southwest of Southport by Coast Guardsmen of the Oak Island station.

ACTORS GIVE UP HALL TO BOXERS

Army Thanks the Shelton-Amos Players for Allowing Show to Go On

The Shelton-Amos players, currently presenting a series of theatrical productions at Thalian Hall, have relinquished use of the auditorium Monday night in order that the Camp Davis boxing show may be presented as scheduled.

Churchill To Report

LONDON, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill is expected to make a statement on the war situation in Russia at the next sitting of Commons, probably Tuesday.

Two American Soldiers Die in Iceland Crashes

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Accidental deaths of two United States soldiers, Privates Timothy J. Nolan, 23, of Cincinnati, and J. B. Hanley of Commerce, Ga., were announced here today.

Reds Fall Back Upon New Lines

General Position Improved As Counter-Attackers Stall Nazi March

TROOPS ESCAPE TRAP

General German Advances Admitted, But Death Toll Claimed High

MOSCOW, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The imperiled Red armies on the Bryansk front southwest of Moscow were reported late tonight to be withdrawing to a new defense line under the cover of night counter-attacks by selected units.

Here and also on the part of the central front more directly west of Moscow, the Russians conceded that immense German attack units had made new advances.

ENGLAND FORMS INVASION CORPS

Picked Soldiers Comprise Highly-Trained Combat Division

LONDON, Saturday, Oct. 11.—(AP)—Formation of a corps of shock-troops whose rigorous and highly specialized training implies that they are meant primarily for an invasion of the continent was announced by the war office today.

NEUTRALITY LAW EXPONENTS IRATE

Declare That Limitation on Debate Abrogates Rules of Democracy

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Republican members voiced a angry criticism after the House Foreign Affairs committee voted tonight to limit hearings on President Roosevelt's request for authority to arm merchant ships to two days and to hold them behind closed doors.

Argentine Cabinet Orders Municipal Council Ousted

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The Argentine cabinet ordered the Buenos Aires Municipal Council dissolved tonight in the face of opposition characterizing that action as dictatorial.

Tobruk Heavily Bombed

BERLIN, Oct. 10.—(AP)—The German air force dropped several thousand pounds of explosive and fire-bombs on Tobruk last night, causing three large fires, DNB said tonight.

First Phase Of Carolina Games Called Successful

CAMDEN, S. C., Oct. 10.—(AP)—The three corps of Lieut. Gen. Hugh A. Drum's First Army completed their first week of maneuvers in the Carolinas area today, and most of the 350,000 officers and enlisted men engaged in the operations prepared for a week-end of recreation.

5 Nazis Shot Down

LONDON, Saturday, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The Moscow radio said early today that five German planes had been shot down in the approaches to Moscow Friday.



FAN DANCER SALLY RAND is welcomed to New York by her husband-to-be, Thurkel (Turk) Greenough, as she arrives to watch him compete in the annual rodeo.

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Increased Gas Allowance Seen Here As Wilmington Delegation Cites Crisis

NAZI ARMISTICE OFFER TO SOVIET WIDELY REPORTED

German, Red and British Sources Vehemently Deny Possibility

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—(AP)—Somewhat circumstantial stories of a German armistice offer to Russia and one report that Moscow was considering the offer were received in New York today from both neutral and belligerent sources.

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20-Mile Northwest Wind Sweeps Over Wilmington

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ACTION SCHEDULED BY MONDAY TO LIFT QUOTA LIMITATION

Solons Join Mayor Bellamy in Presenting Case to Petroleum Czars

The federal government is fully cognizant of Wilmington's gasoline shortage—a shortage that may shut down a majority of retailers on Oct. 18 — it was announced in Washington, D. C., Friday night, and not later than Monday, it was predicted, steps will have been taken to alleviate matters.

That, in essence, was the text of two telegrams dispatched to local defense and petroleum industry leaders here Friday night by Sen. Josiah W. Bailey and Rep. J. Bayard Clark, who joined with Mayor Hargrove Bellamy, Bruce Cameron and J. W. Hughes in presenting this area's critical petroleum condition to Dr. James W. Frey, associate director for refining and marketing in the office of Petroleum Coordinator Harold Ickes.

What action would be forthcoming from the office of Dr. Frey was not indicated other than in the telegrams received here. It generally was believed by local oilmen, however, that the associate director would ease restrictions on Wilmington area gasoline.

DIPLOMATIC MAIL STOLEN BY NAZIS

N.Y. Espionage Trail Bares German Access to Vital British War Secrets

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—(AP)—A slender, scholarly FBI agent today quoted a suspected German spy as having boasted that British diplomatic pouches were opened by a German agent in Lisbon, their contents photographed and the pictures flown to Berlin.

CAB POSTPONES CAPITAL PARLEY

Oct. 27 Now Probable Date for Hearing City's Plea as Air Line Terminal

Scheduled meeting of the Civil Aeronautics board in Washington, D. C., next Monday to hear a petition for establishment of an air route over coastal Atlantic cities has been postponed to Oct. 25, R. B. Page, chairman of the Wilmington Defense council, was advised Friday.

George S. Viereck Pleads 'Not Guilty' to Charges Of Concealing Information

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—(AP)—George Sylvester Viereck of New York, German-born publicist and author, led innocent in Federal district court today to charges of having withheld material information when he registered as a foreign agent.

Appearing before Judge James W. Morris with two New York attorneys, Viereck had nothing to say beyond a simple, "not guilty," when asked for his plea.

William Powers Maloney, special assistant to the attorney general, told the court that it was the desire of the attorney general to have the case tried "at the very earliest opportunity" because of the "seriousness of the crime."

Progress Seen In Drive For Lease-Lend Cargoes

Armed with a veritable mountain of statistics to prove their contention that Wilmington is ideally located and equipped to handle a sizeable volume of lend-lease shipments, a delegation of Wilmingtonians and Gov. J. Melville Broughton Friday conferred in Washington, D. C., with U. S. and British officials in charge of lend-lease shipping.

Members of the delegation included Mayor Hargrove Bellamy, Addison Hewlett, sr., chairman of the New Hanover board of county commissioners, and J. T. Hiers, secretary of the Wilmington Port commission. They were joined in the nation's capital by Governor Broughton and were understood to

have had the support of North Carolina senators and congressmen in their efforts.

Because of Wilmington's strategic location to the textile-rich Piedmont district and to raw tobacco, cotton and lumber centers, plus the fact that northern ports already are becoming choked by heavy lend-lease movements, it is believed the delegation may be successful in shifting a portion of present trans-Atlantic trade to this area.