

Bond Sale Campaign Expanded

Employers Adopt Plan To Deduct Funds From Employees' Checks

\$500,000 SOLD HERE

Most All Wilmington Firms Are Represented In Movement

Forty employers, representing many of the outstanding firms in Wilmington, met in the Cape Fear hotel Wednesday evening and by unanimous ballot approved the adoption of a plan whereby their approximately 4,155 employees can purchase United States Savings Bonds by having a certain amount taken from their paychecks each payday.

The meeting came at the request of the Treasury department in Washington in an effort to extend the sale of Savings Bonds to the masses of the American people.

A report from the Savings Bond committee of the city showed that since the sale of bonds began over \$500,000 worth of bonds have been sold at the post office and banks of Wilmington. This represents a total of 1,607 sales.

The plan adopted at the meeting by the employers is entirely voluntary and any employ can designate the amount he or she wishes to be deducted from the pay check each week or month. The money will be placed in trust by the employer and when an employ has had enough deducted to buy a bond it will be purchased by the employer and turned over to the employee.

Employers attending the meeting heard Pomeroy Nichols, treasurer of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, give a report on a system similar to one adopted at the meeting.

STOCKING FUND DRIVE SLOWED

No Donations Received Wednesday; Children May Miss Santa

With no donations received for the Star-News Empty Stocking Fund Wednesday the campaign to make Santa Claus possible for many underprivileged children in Wilmington when Christmas rolls around less than a month hence, came to a virtual standstill.

Indications are that for many people this year, Christmas will be happier than it has been for the past few years. But there are many children throughout the city for whom Christmas will be just another day in the week unless something is done.

That's why the Star-News is requesting you to contribute a part of the money that you will be spending this Christmas to the annual fund.

Contributions may be made at the Star-News offices in the Murchison building or to Henry Gerdes, treasurer of the fund, at the People's Savings Bank and Trust company.

Previously acknowledged... \$23.05
TOTAL... \$23.05

33 Gallons Of 'Shine' Go Into City's Sewers

Wilmington police destroyed 33 gallons of untaxed liquor Wednesday. The liquor, of the bootleg variety, was seized Nov. 6 by Patrolmen Teague and Hale in a raid on Ninth st., near the railroad underpass.

It was destroyed by pouring into the city sewer.



MEET THE DIMAGGIO FAMILY

Mrs. Joe DiMaggio, the former Dorothy Arnold, feeds one-month-old Joe DiMaggio, 3rd, at their New York city apartment, while her famous 27-year-old husband, slugging outfielder of the Yankees and "most valuable player of the American league" looks on. This is the first picture of the DiMaggio family together since the little slugger took over.—Central Press Photo.

Mildred Lee Killer Sentenced To Death

State Supreme Court Refuses Wescott Appeal; Conviction Upheld In 'Barratry' Case

The North Carolina Supreme court Wednesday handed down decisions in two important cases from New Hanover county, one of them involving the death sentence. They were:

THEME CONTEST WINNERS NAMED

Davis Soldiers Take Part In Move To Emphasize 5th Column Peril

Winners of the theme contest sponsored by Camp Davis authorities to foster cognizance of the "fifth column" danger in the United States were announced Tuesday.

First prize of \$25 went to Pvt. L. F. Jenkins of Regimental Hq. Btry, 99th CA, whose suggestion for a poster described a "street broadcast," interviewer concerning an American soldier with a "mike" and saying, "go on soldier... tell America what you are doing, they are sooo-o-o anxious to know!" from the radio device, waves bearing the caption, "Short wave to Europe," complete the picture. The slogan for the winning theme was "You Don't Know Where Your Words Go."

Second place went to Pvt. F. Mazzotti, Btry. C, 96th CA, whose slogan, "Don't Drink With Strangers" accompanied the description

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Loss Of Purse Holding \$32 Cash, \$200 In Gems Reported To Police Here

Mrs. C. J. Jordan of Winter Park reported to Wilmington police Wednesday night that her purse containing \$32 in cash and jewelry valued at approximately \$200 was lost or stolen in a Wilmington theatre Tuesday night.

She said she missed her purse shortly after moving for a man to pass her seat. Included in the missing jewels are: Diamond engagement ring and chip diamond studded gold band ring; pink sapphire ring, white gold ring with two chip diamonds; black onyx gold-band ring, gold cross and chain, and a necklace.

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White House Charges Nazis Planning To 'Wipe Out' Belgrade With Shellfire

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—The White House today charged that the German government is planning to wipe out Belgrade with shellfire and gas because anti-Nazi guerrilla operations are conducted from the capital of subjugated Yugoslavia.

Stephen Early, presidential press-secretary, referring to a memorandum on his desk, declared: "Here is a statement given to the government by several of its intelligence services to the effect that the Germans have determined to make a final assault on Belgrade, from where the Germans are con-

vinced the action of the Chetniks (Serbian guerrillas) is conducted. "According to the declaration of a high German official, the bombardment to which Belgrade has been subjected will be nothing to compare with what is now in store for the city. The Germans have decided to raze Belgrade."

Asked the purpose of his disclosing military intelligence, Early replied: "You are a reporter in search of news, aren't you? I expect to see this in print." "Does the President hope to deter Germany?" "I wouldn't say so if he did," Early answered, "and, you wouldn't expect me to."

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Big Clash Imminent In Libya

British Report Major Advances Of Vast Tank Columns

REDS FORCED BACK

Invaders Break Through Southeast Of Moscow; Turn Northward

CAIRO, Egypt, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Imperial British troops formed a junction in heavy strength tonight in the Rezegh area and moved forward for a decisive battle for Libya.

The Axis forces in that red and critical zone had been weakened by the earlier deployment of a German column eastward across the Egyptian frontier near Sidi Omar—an unsuccessful counter-offensive of diversion, as the British command described it, in tank strength was smashed before it reached the border.

Moreover, the German commander, General Erwin Rommel, faced a strong new concentration of British tanks heretofore held in reserve—an indication that the initial great tank clashes had left the British far from spent in that arm—and was himself urgently trying to bring up reinforcements for the supreme test.

The British juncture in the main theater of Rezegh was effected by the arrival, to merge with the

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HOUSE DEFEATS PRICE CEILINGS

Sentiment To Recommit Control Legislation Growing Rapidly

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—By the decisive vote of 218 to 63, the House today rejected the proposal that a rigid limit be imposed upon all wages and prices.

With that done, it pushed on to issues presented by the administration bill to establish ceilings for the prices of selected commodities amid an increasing demand that the legislation be sent back to the Banking committee for additional study.

Ahead lay decisions on several prickly questions, on all of which most of the political or regional were split widely. The issues awaiting settlement included:

Regulating the prices of farm commodities.

Establishing a licensing system for dealers selling commodities to be regulated.

Granting the government authority to stabilize prices by large-scale buying or selling of commodities.

Giving broad powers of administration to the present price commission.

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Dartees May Be Called To Man Two-Ocean Navy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—The nation's projected two-ocean Navy may be manned partly with draftees, it was disclosed today, because volunteer enlistments are failing to produce the required manpower.

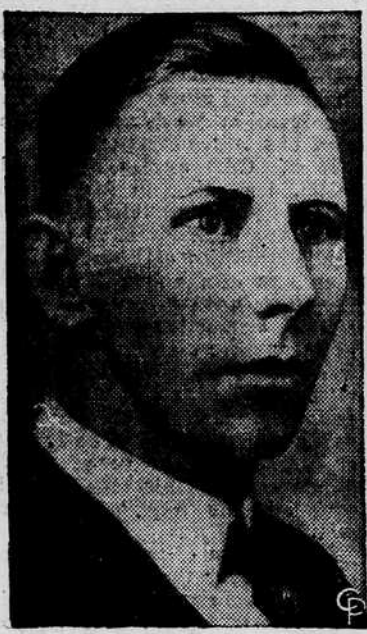
Secretary Knox told reporters there had been a 15 per cent slump in enlistments in October and early November after the destroyers Kearny and Reuben James were torpedoed with a loss of 112 lives. Knox attributed this to reluctance of many parents to grant permission for sons under 21 to join the Navy, but added that in recent days this attitude was becoming less pronounced.

Copenhagen Police Smash Anti-Comintern Riotings

STOCKHOLM, Thursday, Nov. 27.—(AP)—The Stockholm paper Dagens Nyheter reported today that police fired into crowds and used their maces in trying to break up repeated demonstrations in Copenhagen yesterday against German-occupied Denmark's adherence to the anti-Comintern pact.

Litvinoff Due In U. S. Via Clipper On Dec. 6

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Pan-American Airways said today Maxim M. Litvinoff, newly-named Russian ambassador to the United States, would board the China Clipper at Singapore Nov. 30, and was scheduled to arrive here Dec. 6.



MYSTERY DEATH

Police sought two women and a man after Ward Loveless, 51, prominent Washington attorney, was found murdered, his body stuffed into a china closet at his country home near Peonian Springs, Va. Signs of a terrific struggle were found in the house.

—Central Press Photo.

ATTORNEY DEATH PROBE PRESSED

No New Evidence Reported In Mysterious Slaying Of Washingtonian

LEESBURG, Va., Nov. 26.—(AP)—The Loudoun county sheriff's office reported tonight discovery of a key piece of evidence in the slaying of a Washingtonian.

Virginia and Washington police checked evidence in the slaying of Ward Loveless today without offering an official answer to the riddle of whether the tax attorney was slain in his Hunt country home by prowlers, or someone he knew.

Loudoun county Commonwealth's Attorney Charles Harrison, Sheriff Paul Alexander and Virginia Trooper E. D. Helms conferred for an hour today with Lt. Jeremiah T. Glaberty, chief of the District of Columbia homicide squad, and then said they had nothing new to report. The Virginia officers had their own fingerprints taken in order that these might be eliminated from any found in the home.

A 51-year-old native of Mississippi, stuffed into a china-closet of his home about 45 miles from Washington, Monday morning, he had been seen and shot in a struggle which apparently had raged through three downstairs rooms. Mrs. Loveless was visiting in-laws at Elkmont, Ala., at the time.

One theory—to which Washington police leaned—was that Loveless returned home alone late Sunday night from a foursome dinner

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HUGE NEW WAR FUNDS APPROVED

House Subcommittee Puts O. K. On \$8,000,000 Supply Measure

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A House Appropriations subcommittee gave approval today to another huge defense supply bill—totaling close to \$8,000,000—more than three-fourths of which would go to the Army for ordnance, aircraft, construction at military posts, and other items.

The subcommittee was reported to have modified an administration proposal that it be given complete leeway in transferring military equipment, appropriated for since March 11, to foreign nations.

Committee members said the funds in the pending bill were divided in such a way as to give the House an opportunity to decide how much could be used for lend-lease purposes.

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Camp Davis Officer Promoted To Colonel

The name of Lieut. Col. Michael E. McHugo was included in a list of temporary promotions to the rank of Col. announced by the War Department in Washington, Tuesday.

Colonel McHugo is the commander of the Third Barrage Balloon Squadron Air Corps, which is attached to the BBTCC at Camp Davis.

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WEATHER

FORECAST: NORTH CAROLINA. SOUTH CAROLINA.—Fair Thursday and Friday with slowly rising temperature.

(Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday): (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Temperature: 1:30 a. m. 39; 7:30 a. m. 33; 1:30 p. m. 59; 7:30 p. m. 52; maximum 62; minimum 32; mean 47; normal 53.

Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 85; 7:30 a. m. 94; 1:30 p. m. 28; 7:30 p. m. 54.

Precipitation: Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., 0.00 inches; total since the first of the month, 0.31 inches.

Tides For Today: (From Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey): Wilmington High 4:31a., 11:48a. Low 10:59p. Masonboro Inlet 4:59p. 3:11p. 9:15p. Sunrise 5:56a.; sunset 5:03p.; moonrise 1:47p.; moonset 1:11a.

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U. S.-Tokyo Peace Parleys Fail; Next Move Japan's; Franco-Nazi Rift Rumored

AXIS MEMBERSHIP REPORTED FOUGHT BY AGED MARSHAL

Report Of Break Heard As Vichy-Berlin Meeting 'Called Off'

CITE HITLER REVERSES

Resistance To German Bids Believed Based On Late War Developments

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Reliable reports received in New York tonight suggested the possibility of a hitch in German-French negotiations, with Marshal Petain of France holding out against outright membership in the Axis.

These reports, coming from well-informed neutral sources, seemed to be substantiated by the failure of leaders of the two coun-

French Warships Made Ready For Sea Service

LISBON, Portugal, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Masters of two sailing vessels arriving here today from Casablanca, French Morocco, said French warships stationed there had been refitted and prepared for service and were ready to leave the port.

tries to meet the middle of this week, as had been expected.

Petaim's reported resistance to German bids was said to be based largely on recent war developments.

8 AMERICANS DIE WITH RAF

British Air Ministry Reveals List Of Casualties

LONDON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—An air ministry death list today included eight Americans serving with the RAF. They were:

Killed on active service: Pilot Officer L. A. Chatterton of the Eagle Squadron, born in Brooklyn, N. Y.; Pilot Officer L. D. Loudon, whose father lives at Mist, Ore.; Sgt. J. M. Maxon, born at Galesburg, Ill., wife at Montreal.

Missing and believed killed on active service: Pilot Officer W. M. Bishop, born in Cleveland, O., father lives at Novato, O.; Pilot Officer J. R. Cox, born at Port Chester, N. Y., wife at Chicago, Ill.; Pilot Officer H. H. Hay, born at Kansas City, Mo., wife at Tallahassee, Fla.; Pilot Officer F. J. Kruszynski, born in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Died on active service: Acting Squadron Leader P. D. Dear, born San Francisco.

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Congress Moves Swiftly To Curb Defense Strikes

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A general strike of 8,500 AFL machinists which had tied up production on millions of dollars in defense orders in the St. Louis area was settled tonight.

session until it reached a settlement. Acting Chairman Ramspeck (D-Ga.) of the House Labor committee disclosed the tentative provisions of his "drastic" measure which may reach the chamber tomorrow, while, on the other side of the Capitol, the Senate Judiciary committee was called into special session for tomorrow to consider the bill of Senator Connally (D-Tex.).

The Ramspeck measure, decided upon after a White House conference, would recreate the Na-

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WANTS \$150,000

Seeking \$150,000 from the estate of Steel Mitchell, express company executive who committed suicide, Mrs. Berma Russell Mitchell faces her mother-in-law and sister-in-law in New York Supreme court. She claims her husband promised her half his estate if she would withdraw a separation suit, instituted before his death.—Central Press Photo.

SPEEDIER OUSTER OF JUDGES ASKED

Justice Jackson, Biddle Oppose Cumbersome Method Of Impeachment

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A Supreme court Justice and the attorney general, appealing today for a new and speedier method of ousting Federal judges, declared that some of those jurists should have been removed for "misbehavior."

Associate Justice Robert H. Jackson and Attorney General Francis Biddle testified before a Senate Judiciary subcommittee that the present method of impeachment by the House and trial by the Senate was "too cumbersome" and that the alternative of criminal trial could not be invoked against some Federal judges.

They advocated a bill already passed by the House which Chairman Sumners (D.-Tex.) of the House Judiciary committee told

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SUSPECTED SPY 'PAL' OF NAZIS

Former Chief Cook Aboard U. S. Ships Employed Only Germans

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—(AP)—A former chief cook aboard flagships of the United States Lines admitted today he once had written German authorities that he tried to hire help from among Germans, exclusively; that he purchased supplies in Hamburg, and that he always felt it his duty to pay Germany taxes on his American income.

He was Richard H. Kleiss, naturalized in 1931 and one of 15 men being tried in Brooklyn Federal court on charges of espionage conspiracy for allegedly delivering to Germany vital American defense secrets.

Assistant U. S. Attorney James Saver produced a letter on cross-examination after Kleiss had denied favoring German employes and making tremendous purchases in Germany. Shown the document, he acknowledged that it was a copy of a letter he had written

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HULL DELIVERS 'FINAL' OFFER TO EMISSARIES

End To All 'Aggression' In Far East Believed America's Demand

ENVOYS SILENT

Washington Fears Possible Attack On Burma Road Or Vital Singapore

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—(AP)—NBC tonight reported hearing a Tokyo radio broadcast in Portuguese beamed to Brazil declaring Japan has given up hope of a peaceful outcome of the Washington negotiations between the U. S. State department and the Japanese.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—(AP)—The United States and Japan have failed to find a formula for a peaceful settlement of their differences after seven months of diplomatic negotiations, it was learned authoritatively tonight, and war or peace in the Far East may hinge on Japan's next move.

Secretary of State Hull handed to the Japanese envoy—Ambassador Kichisaburo Nomura and Special Minister Saburo Kurusu—after a conference late today a document setting forth the basic principles which this government feels must be observed by all nations, including Japan, if peace is to be achieved and maintained in the Pacific.

The fundamental policies—enunciated by Hull in 1937 soon after Japanese forces began their invasion of China—would, in their practical application, require Japan to end her armed expansion and aggression in the Far East, withdraw

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BRAZIL SMASHES PRO-AXIS COUP

Army Reserves Summoned In Alleged Move To Unseat Moringo

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Reliable sources said tonight that President Higinio Morningo of Paraguay has defeated a bloodless coup d'etat of pro-axis color after a three-day crisis beginning Nov. 19.

During the period heavy army reserves were called into Asuncion and mounted troops patrolled the streets at night.

The dispute, it was reported, started when President Moringo refused a request of Police Chief Luis Santiviago honors for the body of former President Eduardo Schaerer, who died Nov. 11 in Buenos Aires. Schaerer was the founder of the pro-Axis political entity called the "Schaereristas."

Santiviago then used the dispute to demand that Moringo resign, and the president quickly mobilized the army.

Brazilian Troops Ready To Help Guard Guianas

RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 26.—(AP)—Small detachments of Brazilian troops already are on the border of Surinam (Dutch Guiana) and reinforcements in undisclosed numbers are preparing to move up to help United States forces guard the Bauxite deposits, it was reported here tonight.

24 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

"DON'T FORGET XMAS CARDS!" Buy Christmas Seals

