

Power Rates Roundtable Hearing Set

Winborne To Hold Session Between Commission, Tide Water, City

BELLAMY WALKS OUT

Mayor Is Irritated When Chairman Questions Him Regarding Procedure

RALEIGH, April 24. — (AP) — The big men from the little towns of Eastern North Carolina gave the Tide Water Power company a four-hour shot of hot current here today, complaining of high rates and poor service, but their reward was a hollow one.

After an afternoon of discussion, during which the irked mayor of Wilmington walked out in seeming disgust, the State Utilities Commission promised a roundtable hearing between the company, officials of the City of Wilmington, leaders of the electric rate adjustment committee, which represents 52 towns served by the Tide Water; and the Commission — at a date to be announced later.

Mayor Hargrove Bellamy was concerned with only one fact — that the people of Wilmington were paying the Tide Water more for electric service than were customers in adjacent territories served by the Carolina Power and Light Co. and the Duke Power Co.

Mayor Bellamy said the whole thing was a matter of inequalities and discriminations against the people of his city and that the question was a moral one.

Stanley Winborne, chairman of the Utilities Commission, interrupted Bellamy to inform the mayor that the commission had no power to arbitrarily reduce rates, unless the Tide Water Power company were to voluntarily agree that the rates were too high.

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In other words, Winborne declared, "you must show either that the company's valuations should be reduced, or its income increased."

Mayor Bellamy then asked if it was the burden and expense of the people to prove that the valuations were incorrect and the expenses unwarrantably large.

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Fugitive From France



Anthony Haden Guest, 4 1/2, described as youngest prisoner of war known to have escaped from the Germans, happily clutches toys he brought with him from France. His mother told in London how she and the small tot crawled through barbed wire past German sentries and how later on a train she was forced to drug prattling Anthony to keep him from talking and betraying the fact they were English. Picture was cabled from London to New York.

CLARK TO SPEAK HERE ON SUNDAY

Congressman Will Dedicate New Federal Community Building

Congressman J. Bayard Clark will deliver the address at the formal dedication of the Federal Community building, located at Second and Orange streets and operated by United Service Organizations, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

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NEW YORK, Apr. 24. — (AP) — The commander of an Axis submarine, after sending two torpedoes into a Panamanian tanker without warning, turned sympathetic and acted to protect the survivors in their lifeboats, members of the crew said in an interview authorized today by third Naval District headquarters.

Citizens Urged To Aid In Halting Forest Fires

RALEIGH, N. C., Apr. 24. — (AP) — Governor Broughton today appealed to the patriotism of all North Carolina citizens to check the spread of the devastating forest fires which are raging through thousands of acres of western North Carolina.

FDR Pleased With Output Of Supplies

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MAY INCREASE GOALS

Greater Production Programs Visioned By President In Surveying Work

By RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, April 24. — (AP) — President Roosevelt hinted today that the already gigantic goals of the war production program may be increased, so well is the program going.

The only lag of any consequence was in shipbuilding, he said, attributing it primarily to an overall shortage of steel shapes and plates rather than to any management or labor slowdown. Steps are being taken, he added, to increase the nation's steel production capacity.

The president's statement, made at a press conference, revealed, too, that he believed civilian consumption of steel was too great, and that the War Production Board held a contrary view. A survey on the question is in progress, he revealed.

Crew Of Norwegian Tanker Is Landed

LISBON, Apr. 24. — (AP) — The Portuguese freighter Cunene arrived today, with 12 survivors of the 10,044-ton Norwegian tanker Koll, sunk by a submarine in the Atlantic. The survivors were picked up in a lifeboat April 11.

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Town And Harbor At Rostock Left In Sea Of Flames By Attackers

FLUSHING ALSO HIT

Damage Wrought Second Only To Destruction Caused At Luebeck

LONDON, April 24. — (AP) — The largest force of RAF fighters ever sent against a single objective escorted bombers attacking the Netherlands port of Flushing by daylight today, following up a pre-dawn assault on the Heinkel aircraft factories and the German Baltic port of Rostock in which the air ministry said massed bombers loosed the "greatest weight of bombs" in the service's history.

Nine fighters were lost in the Flushing raid and in sweeps over northern France, while five Nazi planes were destroyed. One of these was a Junkers 52 troop transport, shot down in flames by two American Eagle pilot officers, Arnold Skinner, of Webb City, Mo., and William Daley, of Amarillo, Tex.

In saying the fighter group was the largest ever employed, the Air Ministry declined to disclose the actual number.

It said the hour-long raid on Rostock and the Heinkel works, which cost four planes, started gigantic fires visible for more than 80 miles at sea.

The "very heavy" explosive bombs set the town and harbor ablaze in an attack officially described as "effective as that on Luebeck."

The tremendous attack of March 28 on Luebeck, 60 miles southwest of Rostock, was a landmark in the campaign to sap the power of the German offensive preparations in the east and north by wrecking industrial areas. British authorities said 40 per cent of Luebeck's main area was destroyed, on the basis of a photographic evidence.

In striking just as heavily at the Heinkel works near Rostock, the British bombers dropped down to 3,500 feet and did not release a bomb until the center of the factory area was in the bomb sights. The Ministry said there were indications the plant was gutted.

Fighters followed up the night attack in daylight today, the Air Ministry announced that nine British fighters were lost and five Germans destroyed in attacks over

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INVASION ISSUE GIVEN IMPETUS

Roosevelt In Agreement With Conclusions Reached By Marshall, Churchill

LONDON, Apr. 24. — (AP) — The issue of an Allied invasion of Europe was sharpened today by Lord Beaverbrook's militant demand for a second front and by the suggestive information that President Roosevelt had notified Prime Minister Churchill he agreed with all conclusions reached by Gen. George C. Marshall, United States chief of staff who recently visited Britain.

Mr. Roosevelt was said to have sent a message to that effect to Churchill today.

(The nature of Gen. Marshall's conclusions was not disclosed, but in Britain he said "the time for action is near," and that Americans "inevitably soon will join the commandos.")

Lord Beaverbrook's New York speech last night emphasized the British public's concern over what the government will do with the largest army ever assembled in this country.

An army of between 1,000,000 and 2,000,000 equipped with tanks and mechanized weapons, is cooperating with the largest air force in Europe and is a formidable fighting machine, according to its own commanders and visiting American officers.

Its employment in a great European campaign this summer is an urgent necessity, according to

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