

LIFTING OF TRADE BARRIERS ORDERED

U. S. Takes Action To Facilitate Transport And Production

WASHINGTON, May 5.—(P)—High defense officials told the 48 states today to get rid of their non-essential laws hindering war transportation and production or face the alternative of having the Federal government step in and do the job.

Sixty Water Services Are Installed Here

Sixty new water services were installed by the water and sewer department during April, according to the report presented to City Manager James G. Wallace by Supt. M'Kean Maffitt.

A total of 100,500,000 gallons of water was pumped during the month—an average of 3,350,000 per day. City water was tested 500 times in April.

Joseph B. Eastman, director of defense transportation, told a conference of governors and their representatives that he believed most states could and would ease the restrictions voluntarily. But in some cases, he said, this might be impracticable.

Eastman urged the delegates to participate in drafting an emergency law to supersede restrictive state regulations for the war duration, after war production chief Donald M. Nelson had demanded their removal.

BLOOD DONORS NEEDED HERE

Volunteers Asked To Make Donations For Local Blood Bank

Additional donors are needed in order to raise the full quota for the blood bank being accumulated as part of the civilian defense program and J. Q. LeGrand, chairman of the blood procurement committee, has requested that all who wish to contribute to this program communicate with him immediately.

The members of the Phalanx Fraternity, a group of young men of the city, have volunteered almost unanimously the following donors being listed among their membership: Tommy Walker, Jack Stillman, John McDougle, W. F. Brown, Jr., Willie Jones, James H. Taylor, F. L. Meiers, Jr., Kelly W. Jewell, Jr., N. Cliffe Smith and Ward Oakley.

Evangelist Lamb To Preach Tonight

The subject for tonight's sermon at the Gospel Tent at 1014 south Fourth street will be "The Perverted Picture of Life."

Evangelist Mack M. McLamb of Bishopville, S. C. is preaching each night this week at 8 o'clock. Mr. McLamb spoke last night on "The Sayings on the Cross," and concerning the sermon subject for tonight he said, "The world has a perverted picture of what real life is, and of the things which go to make life. Jesus has revealed to us the secret of true happiness and security and out of Him no such things exist."

MORTGAGE SUIT IS FILED HERE

Building And Loan Seeks To Recover House And Lot From L. E. Williams

A complaint, Rural Building and Loan association vs Lawrence E. Williams and wife, Earlean Williams, in which the plaintiff is asking judgment for a house and lot among other things has been filed with Clerk of Superior Court T. A. Henderson.

Plaintiff also asks for judgment against the defendant for \$106.44 with interest, \$15 per month from the date of registration of deed conveying premises to plaintiff until possession is taken, appointment of a receiver authorized to take possession of the premises and collect the \$15 per month in advance, an order directing the sheriff to place the receiver in possession of the property and cost of the action.

Plaintiff alleges: That plaintiff is a corporation doing business in Wilmington for a number of years and is now collecting loans and assets, disposing of property and liquidating affairs in accordance with action taken by the stockholders, directors and officers.

That defendant is a resident of New Hanover county. That on December 20, 1935 the defendant delivered to plaintiff a promissory note in the sum of \$1,000, interest rate set at 6 per cent per year, and gave a deed of trust to the Building and Loan association on property which is part of Lot 3 in Block 137.

That defendant failed to make payments and that plaintiff deeded trustee to foreclose the deed of trust and when property was advertised and sold August 16, 1937, at public auction plaintiff bought it for \$800.

That at the time of the foreclosure indebtedness due plaintiff was \$906.44 and after applying the purchase price plaintiff is due the principal sum of \$106.44.

That plaintiff has demanded possession of premises and defendant has refused repeatedly to vacate. That after the foreclosure defendant occupying premises and has not paid any rent.

sued by prison authorities Norris along with William Goss, 25, of Kannapolis and Wade Loflin, 30, of High Point Monday afternoon jumped on Guard J. A. Presler at the Anson prison camp took a .38 caliber pistol and an automatic shotgun and escaped in a prison truck.

Norris' wife, Mrs. Dessie Mettie Norris, lives in the Beaverdam section and has recently instituted divorce proceedings against him.

NAVY RELIEF FUND HERE IS GROWING

Total Of \$2,805 Contributed Toward Local Goal Of \$5,000

More than \$2,805 had been contributed Tuesday night in Wilmington's Naval Relief society fund drive, campaign officials announced.

Thus the \$5,000 quota set for Wilmington and New Hanover county has gone a trifle beyond the halfway point.

But the committee emphasized that while there is encouragement in this fact, it is always the last half of a race that is hardest. Workers were urged to redouble their efforts during the remaining days of the drive, and the public was asked, as a matter of civic pride no less than because the cause is righteous, to contribute liberally.

W. W. Storm and Helmes Davis, Jr., reported that sales of special emblem, obtainable at \$1.25 each, are going nicely, but said they were disappointed to see so many men and women still not wearing them.

Disappointment was voiced by Al Jones and W. W. Gayer, in charge of the Lumina dance on Friday night, that tickets had not gone faster. They emphasized that patrons will not be giving a penny for an outright donation but will enjoy an exceptionally fine evening of entertainment, so that what they spend for tickets will in fact be an investment.

Warren Johnson and F. P. O'Crowley, charged with general contributions, also felt the response has not been all that it should be. All sub-chairmen dwelt on the necessity of driving hard in these closing days of the crusade, so that the full quota may be raised and hopefully topped by Friday night.

Co-Chairman Storer P. Ware announced that the concert by the navy band at the shipyard will be given from 12:15 to 12:45 noon on Friday, shortly after the musicians arrive from Charleston. The band will be quartered at the USO recreation center at Second and Orange, through the cooperation of the management, and meals will be furnished by the Friendly Cafeteria.

Two more places of business have been added to the list where dance tickets may be bought. They are the Cape Fear Bowling club and the Wilmington Cigar Store.

Mother's Day Quiz Will Be Conducted

A mother's day quiz will be held Friday evening, May 8, at 8 p. m. in connection with the weekly movie program at the USO club at Second and Orange streets.

Winner of first prize will have the privilege of telegraphing flowers to his mother at the expense of USO. Winner of second prize can word his own telegram message to his mother.

VICHY REJECTS AMERICA'S WARNING

warning that resistance against the occupation of Madagascar would be considered "as an attack directed against the United Nations."

Notes With "Regret" The French note said the Vichy government "rejects as inadmissible the pretense to forbid the French government to defend its territory" and "raises the most energetic protest against this aggression."

Noting with "regret" that the United States approved Britain's action, the French government said it "cannot but leave to president Roosevelt the part of responsibility which will fall on him the consequences of which would result from this aggression."

Before reading the American and French notes to a press conference Laval said he had told S. Pinckney Tuck, United States charge d'affaires, in an interview this morning:

"I could add considerations of a sentimental character. I know they are in the hearts of Frenchmen and Americans who remember this history.

"You were present the other day at my interview with Admiral Leahy (departing United States ambassador). I repeat to you that no definite act between our two countries will come from France."

French official sources said, "never has Japan made any requests concerning Madagascar, either from the diplomatic or military view point."

ARMY OF 6,000,000 MEN SEEN IN UNITED STATES

who they may or may not use. "Don't sabotage the whole effort by putting us in a strait-jacket," he added.

The present policy, he explained, is to give commissions in combat services and other branches in which military functions are involved only to men who come up from the ranks or have attended training schools.

These programs include, he explained, direct free distribution of surplus products to relief clients, the food stamp plan, school lunches, "nickel-a-quart" milk programs for relief families and "pen-

Swapping Of Surplus Food For Children Is Being Considered

WASHINGTON, May 5.—(P)—The possibility of governments swapping surplus food stuffs in the Western hemisphere for the benefit of children was discussed today at the eight Pan American child congress.

Mordecai Ezekiel, economic adviser to the Secretary of Agriculture, told delegates from 21 American republics about present programs of stimulating food consumption and production in the United States.

These programs include, he explained, direct free distribution of surplus products to relief clients, the food stamp plan, school lunches, "nickel-a-quart" milk programs for relief families and "pen-

ny-a-glass" milk for school children. "Eight million relief clients and six million school children are now having their diets supplemented through these programs," he said.

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COLUMBUS POLICE SEEKING NORRIS

Dangerous Escaped Convict Believed Headed Back To His Home

WHITEVILLE, May 5.—Columbus county authorities last night and today have been maintaining a vigilant watch for some sign of Gasdon Norris, 32 described as a very dangerous man following his escape late yesterday afternoon along with two others from an Anson prison camp after overpowering a guard.

Norris was sentenced to a maximum of 50 years in the State Prison in February 1940 for the double slaying of Frank McPherson and Garland Burroughs at the filling station of the latter on the afternoon of December 5, 1939. The double slaying occurred in the Lebanon section nine miles south of here.

Last night upon being notified of the escape by prison authorities in Raleigh, Columbus authorities went to the Beaverdam section of this county where Norris lived at the time of the double murder but found no trace of the man.

Prison authorities believe that Norris may come to Columbus county.

Concentrate On Winning The War, Colucci Urges

"The business men of the country should drop the idea of making a profit from the war, and concentrate on winning it," declared John Colucci, owner of the Southern Box and Lumber company here at the meeting of the Rotary club Tuesday.

"If we lose the war, all our profits will be taken by the conqueror, and if we win, then we can all go back to making a profit," he continued.

Ben F. Sutherland, manager of the Armour Fertilizer company here was also a guest speaker at the club's luncheon. The program was arranged by T. D. Love, Jr., and was on the subject, "How the War Has Affected Business."

"The agricultural situation has now reached a point where artificial fertilization is necessary in order to sustain life," he said.

Mr. Sutherland pointed out that before World War I the potash industry was confined to the Ger-

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man dominated countries. In the period following the first world conflict, American industries have perfected the process of obtaining potash to a point where the country now has all it needs in time of war or peace.

"We also have all the nitrates we need for the war effort," he said, but the large problem is that of obtaining transportation for them.

"Agriculture is suffering during the war, due to the government's stoppage of many vital materials, but they cannot afford to take a chance on a shortage in a critical time." "We'll just have to do the best we can until it's over," he continued.

"From the processes now being evolved, there will be an abundance of all materials after the war."

"I may surprise some of you, but there are thousands of conscientious objectors in the nation," declared Warren S. Johnson, president of the People's Savings Bank here, following Mr. Sutherland's talk.

TO CHECK MALARIA IN 7 DAYS take 666

Following his comments, Ben Sutherland added, "Marriage isn't perfect, but it's the best thing worked out so far—that applies to the USO, it's just the best so far."

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