

## BILLION AND HALF SOUGHT FOR NAVY

### Money Asked For Auxiliary Ship Program For Enlarged Fleet

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Chairman Vinson (D-Ga.) of the House Naval Committee introduced legislation today for a \$1,500,000,000 auxiliary ship program to supplement the prospective two-ocean Navy and said the committee would start hearings tomorrow.

Vinson also announced that the committee would begin a survey to determine how soon and to what extent a program for additional aircraft carriers could be started.

The bill, offered shortly after President Roosevelt had requested it, would authorize construction of 500,000 tons of auxiliary vessels such as tenders, supply ships and tankers.

The \$1,500,000,000 figure, Vinson emphasized, was only an estimate. The cost of an expanded aircraft carrier construction program he could not estimate other than to say it would run into the millions. The number of additional carriers that can be built, he pointed out, is dependent on the facilities of shipyards, already taxed by warships and cargo vessels.

At least eleven carriers now are on the ways and seven are in service. Vinson visualized a fleet of carriers capable of bearing planes in "overwhelming numbers."

## BOMBS ARE RAINED ON WIDE 'INVASION PATH' BY BRITISH

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toward Calais where the sound of gunfire could be heard.

### Promises Offensive

The forthcoming part of the United States in the aerial offensive, which might outweigh even the deluge of 6,000,000 pounds of explosives the RAF loosed over Cologne, was drawn in plain words by Lieut. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, head of the United States Air forces.

He said his conferences in London, now nearly completed, had "hastened the day when our air arm shall join in an air offensive against the enemy which he cannot meet, defeat or survive."

Replying to Arnold's congratulations on the Cologne raid, air Marshal A. T. Harris, chief of the RAF bomber command, said, "we are supremely confident that with their aid our common enemies—faced with certain destruction of their own land—will have cause to bitterly rue the day on which they forced our two countries into war."

Harris said that time was "now so near," and Arnold predicted that the hour of joint offensive would be at hand "very soon."

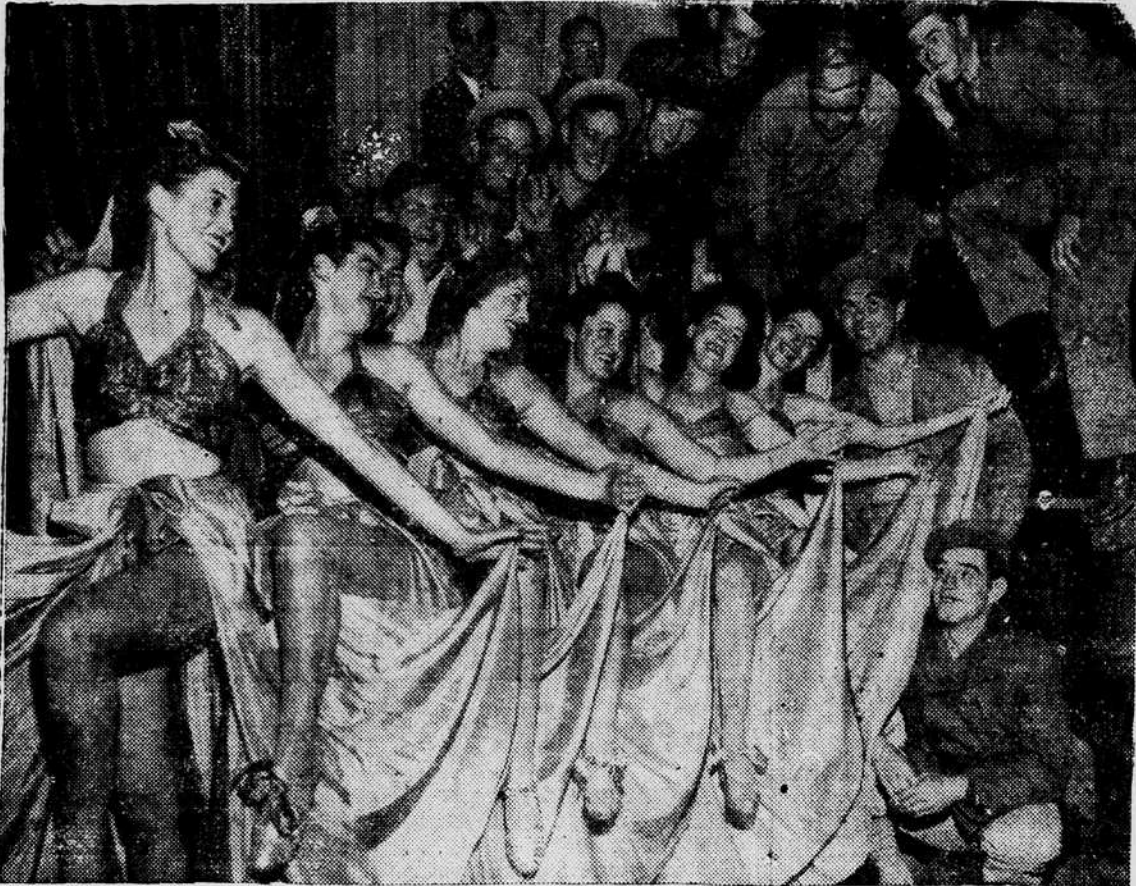
The Evening Standard hailed the statements with a headline saying: "U. S. to join soon in devastation of Germany."

"Air knockout—by U. S. chief" was the Evening News banner.

Informed air observers, noting that three-fourths of Cologne was left ablaze under a three-mile-high pall of smoke, said it would take months to put the great war manufacturing center back into working order.

One authoritative source said Reichsmarshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering had put Heinrich Himmler, chief of the Gestapo, in control of air raid precaution services throughout Germany as a result of the raid, thus broadening police control.

## A.E.F. Members Entertained By Factory Chorus



A group of U. S. soldiers look over the chorus of a show traveling about to both American and Australian camps on the continent down under. The chorines in the photo are employed in munitions factories during the day and give up their spare time at night to dance for the troops. The soldier on the right end of the line seems delighted with the whole idea.—(Central Press.)

## Obituaries

**I. C. SCOTT**  
ROSEHILL, June 1.—I. C. Scott, owner of the oldest mercantile business of continuous existence in Rosehill, died Sunday afternoon of a heart attack in a Raleigh hospital. He was 56 and had been in declining health a number of years. For 35 years Mr. Scott had been proprietor of the Scott grocery Co., a business established in 1889 by his father, the late I. J. Scott, who with his family came from Beaulieu to become early settlers of this village.

Mr. Scott was a member of the Presbyterian church. He married Miss Lena Fussell, a daughter of the late J. H. Fussell and Mrs. Ellen Mallard Fussell. Honest, jolly and good natured and usually witty in conversation, Mr. Scott was particularly liked by traveling salesmen and people with whom he dealt in business. Funeral services will be conducted at ten o'clock Tuesday morning from the home followed by burial in the Rosehill cemetery.

The Rev. J. L. Jones assisted by the Rev. C. T. Rogers will be in charge of the rites. In addition to his widow Mr. Scott is survived by three sons, Frederick Scott, district manager for the General Electric Co. in the state of Michigan, C. E. Scott who is connected with the firm of Scott Grocery Co., and B. C. Scott a student at Atlantic Christian college. Wilson, one daughter, Miss Hattie Scott who holds an office position with the shipbuilding company at Wilmington, three brothers, N. M. Scott of Jacksonville, W. D. Scott of Los Angeles Calif., and E. J. Scott of Lakeland, Fla., three sisters, Mrs. A. R. Bland and Mrs. L. K. Alderman of Rosehill and Mrs. Henry Early of Thomasville.

**C. R. BRANCH**  
Final rites for Charles Robert Branch, retired Atlantic Coast Line Railroad conductor, who died Sunday at his home, 1610 Market street, were conducted Monday morning from the Chapel of Andrews Mortuary. Interment was in Oakdale cemetery.

Mr. Branch was born April 18, 1861, in Fayetteville, a son of the late Jordan and Mary Ann Branch.

**C. K. DAVIS**  
Funeral services for Clarence Kennedy Davis, who died May 25 in Los Angeles, Calif., will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning from the Chapel of Andrews Mortuary by the Rev. J. F. Herbert, pastor of Grace Methodist church. Interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be J. W. King, Lacey King, W. A. McGirt, Hankins Hall, A. M. Alderman and Fred Banck.

Mr. Davis is survived by his mother, Mrs. Katie Davis, and one aunt, Mrs. Lillie Clowe, both of Wilmington.

**MISSING**  
DETROIT, June 1.—(AP)—Mrs. Arthur Wermuth, a nurse in Ardmore hospital, said today the War department had notified her husband, the marine captain whose exploits won him the title, "one man army of Bataan," as well as more formal decorations, was missing in action in the Philippines.

**SHOT TO DEATH**  
SUMNEYTOWN, Pa., June 1.—(AP)—Henry Hartzell, 42, charged with the murder of his 69-year-old father, was shot and killed tonight by a police posse searching for him in the woods near this Montgomery county town.

**PAINT BRUSH SHORTAGE**  
NEW YORK, June 1.—(AP)—The nation faces a paint brush shortage, E. S. Phillips, paint manufacturer said today, in offering prices of from 10 cents to two dollars for old, paint-hardened brushes containing good bristles.

## 20,000 CLAIMED DEAD AT COLOGNE

### 54,000 Others Reported Injured; Mass Evacuation Is Underway

NEW YORK, June 1.—Mass British air raids on Cologne killed "in the neighborhood of 20,000" persons and injured another 54,000, the New York Times said tonight in reporting "private advices from competent neutral observers in Berlin."

Special detachments of sanitary forces of the German army have been sent to the Rhineland city, the paper declared, to aid municipal officials in preventing spread of disease in the present war weather.

Three-fifths of the approximately 800,000 residents of Cologne are being evacuated to the Munich area to be housed in emergency barracks erected in the last 24 hours, the paper said.

In addition and despite official orders against traveling the populations of other Rhineland cities, including Aachen, Dusseldorf, Wuppertal, and Mainz, have begun mass migration to avoid future bombardments, the Times asserted.

The Times said that "confirmation has been received" that the world famous cathedral at Cologne was not damaged in the raid of bombs. The casualty figures differed greatly from official German reports which said that 139 civilians had been killed.

The Times said its information has been relayed from Europe Monday night.



Black rayon marquisette worn with black horsehair hat.

## City Briefs

### CONDITION SATISFACTORY

Condition of Miss Lois Yopp, 18, of Carolina Beach, suffering from a possible dislocation of cervicle vertebrae and other injuries sustained Sunday night when struck by a bit and run driver, was reported "satisfactory" last night by James Walker Memorial hospital attendants.

### CIRCLE MEET

Circle Nine of the First Presbyterian church, Mrs. W. H. Henderson, leader, scheduled to meet with Mrs. E. W. Fonville, has been postponed and will be announced later.

### SUGAR APPLICATION

The local Rationing board is not prepared to take care of applications for sugar until Wednesday, and yesterday requested persons not to apply on Tuesday.

### GIRL SCOUTS

A special meeting of the Wilmington Girl Scouts' council will be held in the Sorosis club rooms Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A full attendance is requested as this is the last meeting until the fall season.

### VISITING

Miss Vivian Dunn of Acme is visiting her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Sykes in the city.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

An increase of 16 was shown in the number of marriage licenses issued in May through the office of Register of Deeds Adrian Rhodes compared with the April total of 34. Majority of the 47 licenses issued to white couples in May went to Marines from the New River base and soldiers stationed at Camp Davis. Negro couples received three licenses against two in April.

### BAND REGISTRATION

Registration for summer band and orchestra classes will continue this week daily from 8:30 until 9:30 a. m. in the band room of the vocational building, 2 South Thirteenth street.

Regular classes will begin Monday, June 8, at 8:30 a. m.

## Civil Service Board Here To Pass On Tax Appointees

Referring of appointment of employees in the city-county tax office to the county Civil Service Board was voted by the county commission at the Monday meeting.

Action came following Commissioner Harry R. Gardner's explanation that two members of the Civil Service board had told him they thought employees of the tax office should be referred to them. County Attorney Marsden Belamy pointed out that the act, setting up the Civil Service board and providing for certification of applicants for county offices, was applicable to persons employed jointly by the city and county as well as persons employed by the county.

A member of the Civil Service board, contacted following the meeting, said the delinquent tax collector had been working six weeks before he knew of the appointment. He explained that the board had not been asked to certify any applicants for the position.

After Chairman Addison Hewlett read a communication from Tax Collector C. R. Morse showing uncollected taxes back of 1921 amounted to \$11,837.75, the board, on motion of Commissioner Gardner, voted to get further information on the amount of taxes due by various individuals before setting a date from which to collect delinquent taxes.

Peter Braak, chairman of the AAA committee of New Hanover

## SMALL CARGO SHIP IS SUNK OFF COAST

### Navy Gunners Abandon Craft Without Taking Pot Shot At Sub

KEY WEST, Fla., June 1.—Navy gunners, saved from a medium sized U. S. merchantman sunk in the Atlantic on the night of May 12, told how they reluctantly abandoned ship without so much as a single pot-shot at the elusive Axis submarine that attacked them.

Sinking of the vessel was announced by the Navy today, after crew had been taken to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, for medical attention and 15 others had been brought here. Survivors believed all but one of the remaining 22 crewmen had reached lifeboats and rafts, although they had not been reported.

After one torpedo struck the vessel, Paul C. Padgett of Jacksonville said he and other members of the naval gun crew were ordered to man the gun. Anxiously they peered into the darkness, hoping for a clear shot at the submarine. Instead, the crafty raider remained out of sight, probably submerged, and sent another torpedo into the ship. It began to sink rapidly, and was abandoned.

Charles Peregrin, Jr., of Bayonne, N. J., said the first torpedo whirled through the water, leaving a brilliant trail of phosphorus in the darkness.

The vessel caught fire after the first torpedo hit, but the flames quickly burned out without spreading. Similarly, the second shot started a small blaze that was out before the ship sank.

It was the second experience on torpedoed vessels for two Florida men.—W. H. Montague, of Jacksonville, third assistant engineer, whose ship was lost five weeks ago, and Eddie Borges of Bell. They had spent 40 hours in a lifeboat.

## BRITISH CAPTURE GERMAN GENERAL

### Officer Says His Pilot Mistook British Forces For Italians

WITH THE BRITISH FORCES IN THE LBYAN DESERT, MAY 31.—(Delayed)—Gen Ludwig Cruewell, deputy commander of the German African Corps who was captured May 26 said tonight he was taken prisoner because his pilot landed in the midst of British desert troops in the mistaken belief that they were Italians.

At the same time, British sources disclosed that Gen. Erwin Rommel, commander of the German African tank corps, sought shelter in a British Red Cross station last Friday while his motorized troops were fighting unsuccessfully against a British tank attack.

Rommel came into the dressing station after his troops had taken possession and chatted with soldiers and patients. After four hours, he stepped to the door, fired a signal pistol and was picked up by a Fiesler storch plane. The field hospital was later recaptured by the British.

Cruewell told his captors that his pilot mistook ground troops for Italian allies and started to land. The pilot was killed in a burst of fire from the British and Cruewell said he was barely able to stumble out of the plane after it caught fire.

Short, dumpy and 55, he appeared much upset over being a prisoner, although he was only one of several hundred including many Italian staff officers.

British troops meanwhile were obeying their order to "pursue and destroy" enemy forces with mail fighting continuing in the vicinity of Mitefel Es Seghir and Knightsbridge. RAF bombers and fighters maintained constant harassing actions.

## Married On Graduation Day



Graduation day at West Point is a doubly important date in the life of Second Lieutenant Carl C. Hinkle. He, along with many of his classmates, became an officer and husband on the same day. Hinkle, who was first captain and regimental commander at the academy, is shown leaving the chapel under crossed swords with his bride, the former Shirley Shields, and his father, Rev. Carl C. Hinkle, who performed the wedding ceremony.—(Central Press.)

## CEILINGS WOULD RETARD FARMING

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other causes. They are in the hands of God".

For an example, Mr. Galphin pointed out the following type of situation.

If a farmer plants beans which will yield 100 baskets in normal conditions, and if he is able to force an average price of \$2.50 per basket for the entire crop, he knows in advance that his income will be \$250. From that, his total cost in labor, baskets, seed, fertilizer and other incidentals will cost about \$125 for the crop.

Now, if his yield is below 100 baskets, due to weather conditions and other causes, his cost of planting and tending the crop is still about the same.

In the case of no ceiling on crops, the farmer, due to a lower yield on his crop, and very likely on the other crops in his locality, would receive a higher price on his product due to the scarcity caused by the conditions.

Mr. Galphin pointed out that in every case, the price dropped far below the average for the season, after the crop had been on the market for some time.

"If the farmer could get \$5.00 per basket for beans on his first 20 baskets, and \$3.00 on the next 40 baskets, the remaining 40 baskets of a 100 basket yield would not matter."

"As a rule the price of beans, for example, will drop to about 75 cents per basket after a short while on the market. A higher price must be gotten for a portion of the crop in order to maintain a fair average on the entire crop."

"Now, if price control is placed on the crops, say for instance, \$2.50 per basket for beans, the farmer must receive that for every basket in order to come out clear, for after all, his crops represent months of labor."

"It is easy to see that with a ceiling price and with no floor price if the yield is heavy the price will be lower and can continue as low as the market will pay. The farmer will have no way to bud up his average."

"Something must be done, either with a price floor, crop insurance to prevent the farmer from taking a loss or some other means of compensation when a whole crop is wiped out by weather, bugs or other causes."

"It is my opinion that many of the farmers will stop farming and turn to other jobs with a steady income and higher wages, unless he is taken care of by the government after price ceilings are placed on his products."

"When that happens, the country will suffer for food production," Mr. Galphin commented.

### MUST SERVE TIME

NEW YORK, June 1.—(AP)—Welwel Warszower, alias "Robert William Weiner," financial secretary of the Communist party in the United States, whose weak heart has kept him out of federal prison since the spring of 1940, today was ordered to begin a two-year prison term.

### SHOULD ABANDON IDEA

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 1.—(AP)—Dr. David Philipson of Cincinnati, only surviving founder of the Central conference of American Rabbis, launched today Jews should give up any idea of a Jewish nation in Palestine.

Mr. Braak explained that the request was necessary as he had been informed by a regional AA official that there would not be a division of funds after July 1. Previously the AA has paid for one employe and part of another, the other part being paid by the county, to assist Mr. Galphin.

Under the new set-up, secretaries paid by the AA will not be permitted to assist the county agent except in work of the AA.

Mr. Braak explained that unless the county increases its appropriation so as to hire a secretary, Mr. Galphin will have no assistance in carrying on his work in the city and county.

On motion of Commissioner Gardner the matter was referred to a committee composed of Chairman Hewlett and Commissioner George W. Trask.

The commissioners decided to consider bids on the county audit at the next meeting of the board.

## WRECKS OF 2 JAP SUBS RECOVERED

### Sinking Of Old Ferry That Is Accomplished In Sidney Raid

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS Australia, Tuesday, June 2.—(AP)—Three Japanese midget submarines which attacked Sydney harbor Sunday night were destroyed and the wrecks of two were recovered, General MacArthur headquarters announced today.

All that the pigmy attackers accomplished was the sinking of an old steamer used as a ferry. It was sunk by the blast of a torpedo that struck the shoreline after missing a larger objective.

The communique also said that nine Japanese planes, seven bombers and two fighters, which attacked Port Moresby in New Guinea yesterday were shot down.

Two Allied fighters were lost and slight damage was done to workshops and houses at the Allied base.

In offensive operations the Allies last night bombed and strafed the docks at Rabaul, New Britain, and just before dawn smashed Japanese bases at Lae and Salamaua in northeastern New Guinea.

Divers working on the harbor floor at Sydney raised the two wrecked baby submarines with the aid of grappling hooks.

The submarines apparently launched from a mother ship because of their small range, intended to attack docks, defense installations, and shipping.

But they were discovered before they could do serious damage and met by a wall of shore artillery shells.

One Japanese torpedo exploded against the shore after missing its objective, but the blast sank a small vessel and threw a column of water 150 feet into the air.

Another torpedo skidded across the shore, but a bomb disposal squad rendered it harmless.

Hundreds of persons ran out on their night clothes and watched the battle. Others rushed to raid shelters believing the city to be under air attack.

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**C. DAVID JONES**  
Sheriff

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General Chairman

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for your consideration on Saturday. I am grateful for your interest.

**Glenn J. McClelland**