

DEATH AGE HERE IS INCREASING

Health Office Records Show New Hanover Residents Live Longer

Wilmingtonians are living longer than they once did, according to statistics of the consolidated health office here.

Dr. A. H. Elliot, city-county health officer, revealed yesterday that his records show ages at death of New Hanover county residents have increased during the past 29 years from 28 to 48.

In the past 10 years alone, the doctor declared, the average age of death has increased from 42 to 48 years.

"I am willing to deny that Wilmington has an abnormally high death rate and I am writing to the state board of health and the U. S. public health service for their figures on our death rates and on those of the state and the nation as a whole," Dr. Elliot said.

"These figures will be released as soon as received."

"The implication of recent newspaper articles and paid advertisements, as I understand, is that Wilmington's death rate is abnormally high because of the detrimental effect of the chemically treated water furnished Wilmingtonians by the city water department under the supervision of the consolidated health department's sanitary engineers."

"From the standpoint of quantity, probably over 99 per cent of the water consumed by residents of sizeable cities throughout the United States is chlorinated surface water. From the standpoint of the number of cities as big or bigger than Wilmington, probably 95 per cent to 98 per cent use treated surface water."

"In addition, I can add that a large percentage of underground well water is chlorinated as an extra precaution against possible contamination."

"I am sure that most state and federal authorities will recommend, and in most cases, demand, chlorination of underground well water as a precautionary measure."

Chlorination of public water supplies, according to the doctor, is similar to pasteurization of public milk supplies. Each is an extra precaution against possible contamination after all possible care has been taken in the supply of water or milk.

"The amount of chlorine used in treating most underground well water supplies is as great or greater than the amount of chlorine used in treating our water at the Hilton plant," the health officer declared.

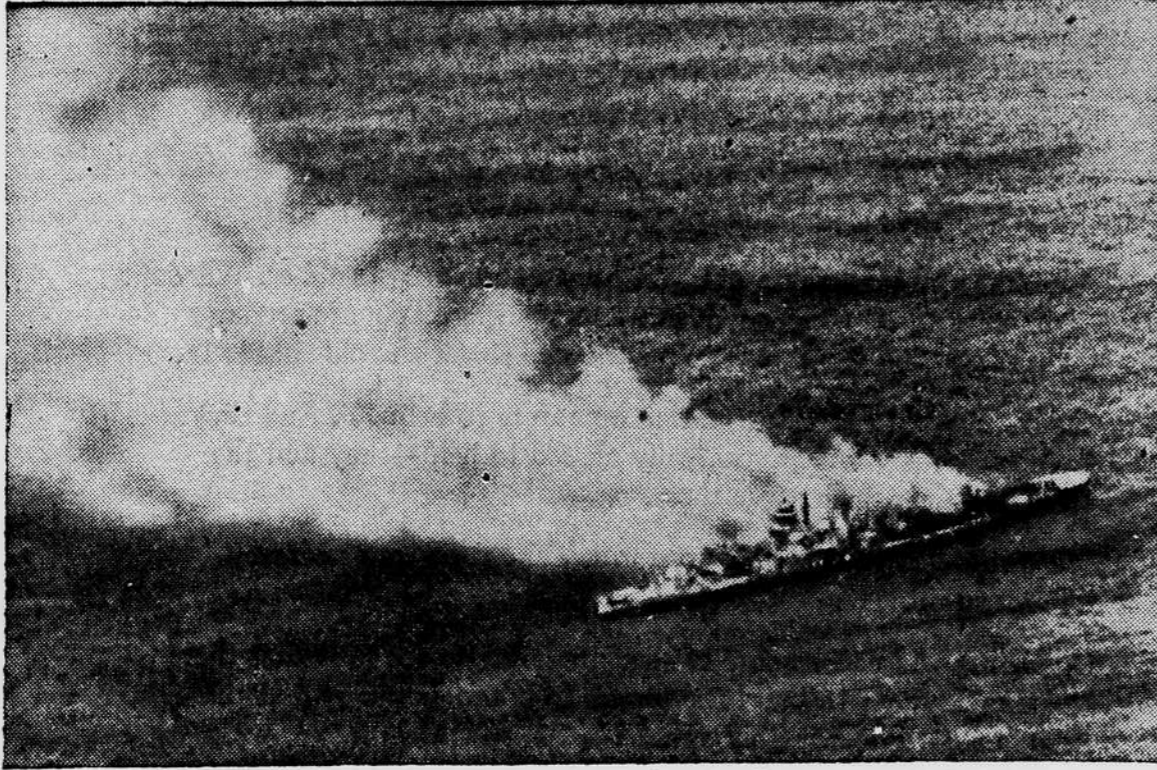
"So far as the general chemical content of water is concerned, it is easy to see that the underground water will have a much higher chemical content because surface water is chiefly rain water which left its chemicals behind in the ground in the process of evaporation."

According to a graph exhibited by Dr. Elliot, the average Wilmingtonian died at the age of 28 in 1910.

In 1920, the average age of death here was 36 years of age. By 1930, it had increased to 42, and by 1939, to 48 years of age.

Still births and the deaths of non-residents of the county were excluded from the figures.

Disabled Jap Cruiser After U. S. Bombs Hit



Smoke pours from a burning Jap cruiser after U. S. bombers had dropped their deadly missiles on it in the big battle off Midway. Lack of a wake behind the stricken ship shows that it is drifting aimlessly and out of commission. The photograph, just released by the Navy Department in Washington, shows further the effectiveness with which the invading Jap armada was beaten off by hard fighting, well-prepared U. S. air and sea units.—(Official U. S. Navy Photo.)

DONNELLY DEATH RULED ACCIDENT

Coroner's Jury Absolves Mrs. Troth In Demise Of Beach Resident

A coroner's jury yesterday found that the auto death of J. L. Donnelly, 62-year old Carolina Beach resident, was not the fault of Mrs. Ada W. Troth of Atlanta, whose car struck the retired dry cleaner as he walked along a road at the beach late Saturday night.

Donnelly died in a Wilmington hospital Wednesday morning.

Verdict of the jury, which was impaneled by Coroner Asa W. Allen, was that Donnelly's death was not caused by negligence nor reckless driving.

Members of the jury were J. C. Hobbs, foreman, and Fred Tucker, J. L. Baldwin, W. N. Harris, M. L. Starkey and L. E. Williams.

TWO KILLED

VICHY, Unoccupied France, June 25.—(AP)—Two internees were killed and a number of others were wounded when an unidentified plane dropped a bomb which landed in a cluster of concentration camps at Royallieu near Compiègne today.

Rep. Kelley To Speak At Davis Graduation

Speaker for the ceremonies as members of Camp Davis' twelfth Officer Candidate school class graduates this morning will be Representative Augustine B. Kelley of the 28th Pennsylvania district.

Rep. Kelley's son is a member of the class, which totals 215 young men.

The congressman, accompanied by Mrs. Kelley, arrived here today and was met by Major General Frederic H. Smith, Camp Davis commanding officer. They visited the camp's firing ranges this morning and toured other sections of the post this afternoon.

Tomorrow's exercises, which will get underway at 9 o'clock, will be held in theatre No. 4.

New WPA Measure Passed By Senate

WASHINGTON, June 25.—(AP)—The Senate passed today an appropriations bill making \$336,900,000 available for the employment of 400,000 persons on WPA rolls for the year beginning July 1.

The measure now goes back to the House for action on Senate maintenance of state administrators offices in each state.

The bill contains direct appropriations of \$280,000,000 and reappropriations of \$56,900,000 left over from the current year's funds.

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NAVY THINNED OUT ON MANY FRONTS

Senator Walsh Says Not Enough To Combat Subs On U. S. Coast

WASHINGTON, June 25.—(AP)—Commenting on the Navy's announcement it now was conveying merchant shipping along the East coast, Senator Walsh (D-Ma.), chairman of the Naval Affairs Committee, declared today the Navy did not have "all that it needs at this time" to protect sea commerce successfully.

"In my opinion," he said in a statement, "our inability to check the submarine menace along the Atlantic coast is due to the fact that the Navy has not all that it needs at this time to give adequate protection to shipping—that is, merchant vessels."

"As I have said before, the Navy is thinned out by reason of the large number of battle fronts it has been forced to safeguard. There is no question but that as soon as we get the number of plans and small boats required—which we are getting as fast as it is possible to produce them—the submarine menace will be licked. This does not mean that ships will not be sunk, but it does mean a much lower number of sinkings."

Senator Brewster (R-Me.), also a Naval Affairs committee member, declared that Navy conveying was "not a permanent solution at all" to the question of safeguarding merchant vessels.

Convoying, he said in an interview, "mars the effectiveness of ships by 50 per cent," because each ship in a convoy must be regulated by the speed of the slowest.

The most satisfactory solution, he said, will be protection of coastwise shipping by patrol craft and planes.

Philadelphia Chosen For Next Rotary Meet

TORONTO, June 25.—(AP)—Philadelphia was chosen for next year's convention of Rotary International at the final session of the 33rd annual convention today. Directors for 1942-43 also were elected.

The new directors include Fred L. Haas, Omaha, Neb.; Harry D. Poulton, Lima, O.; Datus E. Propper, San Antonio, Texas; Potter Wilkins Carswell, Waynesboro, Ga.; and Raymond Tiffany, Hoboken, N. J.

Earlier, Fernando Carbajal of Lima, Peru, was elected president to succeed Tom J. Davis of Butte, Mont. Three vice-presidents will be elected by the new directors later today.

Convention attendance awards were presented to the Turloch, Calif., club, with three out of 41 members travelling 2,900 miles to be present; Chickasha, Okla., with seven out of 53 members travelling 1,500 miles; Kilmarnock-Irvington-Whitstone, Va., with four out of 22 members travelling 862 miles.

TODAY AT LEADING THEATRES

- BAILEY** TODAY AND SAT. Ann Sheridan, Bob Cummings, Ronald Reagan, Betty Field in "KINGS ROW" The Town They Talk Of In Whispers! Shows 11:55 2:04 4:27 6:50 9:13
- CAROLINA** TODAY AND SAT. On Stage 2:30 4:30 7:30 9:30 A Swing-Sing-Fun Show "BARE FACTS AND FIGURES" On Screen—George Sanders, in "THE FALCON TAKES OVER" Mat. 3:30; Nite 4:45; Chil. 1:15
- ROYAL** TODAY AND SAT. "THE MAD DOCTOR OF MARKET STREET" With Lionel Atwill, Una Merkel Shows 11:15 1:25 4:30 6:15 8:45
- BIJOU** 15c All Day (PLUS TAX) TODAY AND SATURDAY! Johnny Mack Brown — In "ARIZONA CYCLONE" Also New Thrills in "PERILS OF THE ROYAL MOUNTAIN"

3 Army Aviators Killed In Training Plane Crash

CAMP DOUGLAS, Wis., June 25.—(AP)—Three Army fliers were killed in the crash of a training plane near here last night. Major Lloyd L. Sailor, post commander at Camp Williams, reported today.

The dead: Second Lieut. Eugene B. Beadles, 28, of Salt Lake City, pilot of the airplane. Second Lieut. S. L. Meacham, 22, Fort Mill, South Carolina, co-pilot. Second Lieut. Hulon Williams, 22, Little Rock, Miss.

Major Sailor said the crash was on a routine flight and the men were killed outright. The plane burned. There were no others in the ship, he added.

No other details of the crash can be announced, the major said, pending a report by a board of investigating officers.

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