

'Bastille Day' Brings New Axis Slayings

Gestapo Execution Squads Work Overtime In Conquered Countries 700 CROATS KILLED Reprisal For Assassination Of Nazi Police Leader At Zagreb

LONDON, July 14.—(AP)—The "shadow armies" of France and other subjugated lands observed the Bastille anniversary today as the portent of an Allied invasion, while the Germans tightened their channel defenses and Gestapo execution squads worked overtime.

British bombers roaring over northern France, Paris and Vichy, dropped 5,000,000 messages from British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden promising liberation of France and aid to Nazi-slaved millions.

"We know," the messages read, "that we and the people of France will again be brothers in arms."

Amid rising anti-German violence and sabotage on the continent, a Yugoslav government spokesman declared today that 700 Croats had been killed by the Germans in reprisal for the assassination of the Gestapo chief at Zagreb, a Major Helm.

He was killed by a hand grenade thrown into his car on the main street of Zagreb, a supposed "safe city" in Nazi-occupied Yugoslavia, and the capital of an Axis puppet government.

The Gestapo guards ran amuck after the bombing," the spokesman said, "shooting at everyone moving on the street and hurling"

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WALLACE LEAVES CITY FOR NORTH

Former Manager Reveals Destination Is Some 'Cooler Place'

James G. Wallace, who recently submitted his resignation as city manager of Wilmington to become effective upon appointment of a successor or at a time agreeable to the council, left here yesterday, leaving the city temporarily without a manager.

City councilmen said yesterday that they had not been advised officially of his departure.

Whether he notified Mayor Belamy, who is out of the city, was not learned.

The ex-city manager told employees at the city hall goodbye during the morning. To a friend, he confided that he was "going some place up north where he could be cool for awhile."

Mr. Wallace, who would have completed a year of service as Wilmington's first city manager under the manager-council form of government, has been offered the position of city manager at Kenosha, a Wisconsin industrial center of some 70,000 people.

He failed to reveal, however, whether he would accept the position or not.

City Manager C. L. Nichols of Greenwood, S. C., is scheduled to arrive here Thursday for interviews with Mayor Hargrove, Belamy and other city officials. He was interviewed in Greenwood last week by several council members.

Included in the eight candidates under consideration by the mayor

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WEATHER

FORECAST North Carolina: Continued warm with fresh showers.

(By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday:

Temperature 1:30 a. m. 77; 7:30 a. m. 77; 1:30 p. m. 80; 7:30 p. m. 81; maximum 86; minimum 74; mean 82; normal 79.

Humidity 1:30 a. m. 95; 7:30 a. m. 97; 1:30 p. m. 79; 7:30 p. m. 71.

Precipitation Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.00 inches; total since the first of the month, 2.26 inches.

Tides For Today (From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey)

Wilmington High 11:05a 6:07a Low 11:25p 6:11p

Wilmington Inlet High 8:46a 2:48p Low 8:57p 2:50p

Sunrise 5:11a; sunset 7:24p; moonrise 7:06a; moonset 8:49p.

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Fixing Up The Two-Tonners



Huge two-ton bombs are shown being readied for U. S. bombers at an American air base. These missiles, similar to those used recently by the R. A. F. on Germany with devastating results, have been turned out in mass production for months by the U. S. Ordnance Department. They will soon find their way to Axis targets.—Official U. S. Army Photo.

FARM DEADLOCK STILL UNBROKEN

Senate And House Conferees Work To End Two Months Stalemate

WASHINGTON, July 14 (AP)—Senate and House conferees today worked out a compromise designed to break a two-months' old deadlock on the agriculture department's \$600,000,000 appropriation bill, but thinned House tanks postponed a final vote on the agreement.

The proposal was tentatively approved on a standing vote of 81 to 34 but Rep. Hope (R.-Kas.) objected on the ground no quorum was present, and the House was adjourned. It previously had been agreed that because of the large number of absentees, no roll-call vote on the controversial measure would be taken until tomorrow.

The proposal represented a splitting of the differences between the Senate and the House on appropriation items and concessions on the matter of permitting the sale of government - controlled grain surpluses at prices below parity for livestock feeding.

Chairman Cannon (D.-Mo.) of the appropriations committee said the compromise was "ideal" in that it "suits nobody and is agreeable to everybody."

The House quickly agreed to the compromise appropriation items, and indications were the Senate would do likewise.

House conferees expressed belief the Senate would accept the surplus grain sales proposal but Senator Oregon said it would meet "strenuous opposition" and Senator Russell (D.-Ga.) asserted no agreement had been reached.

Under the compromise, submitted by Cannon, the Commodity (Continued on Page Three; Col. 2)

BEACH RESIDENTS NOW SHARING CARS

Mayor Herrin Of Wrightsville Reports Plan Already In Progress There

Wilmingtonians, who are residing at Wrightsville during the summer, already are using the share-a-ride plan for commuting to their work in the city, Mayor D. J. Herrin said Tuesday night.

Approximately 1,000 residents at nearby beaches will keep their cars parked much of the time unless they use the plan, it was brought out Monday night at St. Paul's parish house in a meeting of parish officials, fleet vehicle owners and local automobile dealers.

The most complete elimination of traveling men from the lists of those eligible for adequate extra gasoline rations was also an outstanding feature of the discussion.

Some 150 persons heard State Gasoline Specialist Darnell explain the provisions for rationing gasoline to trucks, non-highway users, and those who must have supplemental gasoline to carry on their work.

Darnell stated that persons who have moved to nearby beaches for the summer are not entitled to supplemental gasoline for commuting purposes unless they manifest their intention to use the share-a-ride plan. Under those conditions, and those conditions, and those only, will they be given supplemental gasoline by sub-registration boards today, Wednesday and Thursday. Not even war workers will be

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Nazis Pound At Red Lines On Long Front

Crushing Drive Imperils Nearly 600 Miles Of Soviet Defenses HEAVY CASUALTIES

Russians Claim 35,000 Nazis Killed Or Wounded In Ten Days

MOSCOW, Wednesday, July 15.—(AP)—A crushing German drive imperiled nearly 600 miles of Russia's front early today, but the Soviets said the Red army still was fighting savagely in the Voronezh sector, where one formation alone killed and wounded more than 35,000 Nazis in ten days.

The Soviets acknowledged their troops were taking hammer blows both at Voronezh and Boguchar to the south in the Don valley. At the latter point the Russians again retreated to new positions after being almost trapped in a Nazi encirclement attempt.

Besides the enormous casualties suffered at Voronezh, the Germans were said to have lost 157 tanks, 341 anti-tank and field guns and machineguns, and hundreds of supply wagons.

The midnight communique did not disclose any significant changes in the fighting which extended to the Rzhev area northwest of Moscow.

But there also was no attempt to minimize the gravity of the situation. Instead Soviet commentators emphasized the peril and called upon the Allies to open a second front in the west.

"The battles on the eastern front are the battles for New York and London," one Moscow radio announcer said.

Multiple threats were fast developing to highly important industries.

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Score Of Jap Ships Sunk Or Damaged By U. S. Fliers In Midway Battle

BY RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—The incessant pounding of American fliers sank or damaged a score of Japanese ships in the battle of Midway, the Navy announced tonight, and threw what had been a bristling 80 - ship enemy armada into headlong flight. On our side the aircraft carrier Yorktown was put out of action and the destroyer Hammann was sunk.

In all, the enemy losses were: Four aircraft carriers, two heavy cruisers, three destroyers and one transport sunk.

Three battleships, two heavy cruisers, one light cruiser and at least three transports damaged, many severely.

An estimated 275 Japanese aircraft destroyed in the air or lost at sea because their carriers had been sunk.

Approximately 4,800 Japanese killed or drowned.

By comparison, American losses were extremely light. They were: The aircraft carrier Yorktown put out of action when a Japanese bombing attack left her listing. As a consequence planes could not use her flight deck.

The destroyer Hammann torpedoed and sunk in the latter stages of the battle by a Japanese submarine. Most of her personnel was saved.

Ninety-two officers and 215 enlisted men.

No exact figures were given for American plane losses, but it was said at the Navy Department that they could be gauged by the num-

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TIRE SAVING TIP

It happened in Wilmington yesterday—it could happen nowhere else.

A motorist traveling down a through street started across Fifth street, but slammed on his brakes to avoid hitting a little negro boy.

Tires squealed on the pavement, leaving a 12-foot black mark of good old precious rubber.

The motorist bristled, apparently ready to haul forth his best combinations of profanity.

But, the little negro grinned sheepishly, looked at the driver and said: "You oughta hit me. Shouldn't be a-wastin' rubber like that."

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Seized In Spy Hunt



Mrs. Hans Max Haupt of Chicago, mother of Herbert Haupt, one of eight accused Nazi spies now on trial in Washington, has been arrested by the FBI. Attorney General Biddle announced July 13. The FBI charges Haupt's parents knew of his activities.

CONVOY SYSTEM NOW EXTENDED

Knox Reveals Protection Taking In Caribbean And Will Take In Gulf

NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—Secretary of Navy Frank Knox said today that the convoy systems, in effect along the East coast of the United States since May 14, has been extended to the Caribbean and will take in the Gulf of Mexico.

"We are getting various patrol vessels to combat submarines in to service as rapidly as possible and are increasing the number of patrol planes with equal expedition," he said at a press conference held as he halted here on an inspection tour of the entire Eastern seaboard.

Declaring that more officers and men were being thrown into the anti-submarine war, Knox added:

"We have a large submarine-combat school, which now has 1,200 men being trained for this service. It is an extremely difficult service. We require ships of the right type, the right kind of equipment, and the right kind of men to handle them."

Asked if U-boat sinkings along the Atlantic coast were being re-

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PARACHUTE ARMY QUELLS UPRISING

Indian Sky-Troopers Break Up Moslem Campaign Of Murder And Looting

NEW DELHI, India, July 14.—(AP)—Parachute troopers of the Indian army were credited by military quarters today with breaking up a murderous campaign of rape and train-wrecking by the Hurs, a tribe of bearded, turbaned fanatical Moslems who have spread terror in Sind Province, near India's troubled northwest frontier.

Hundreds of the Hurs have been arrested and 27 executed by the military. A major stronghold of the Hurs was taken by the parachute troopers who dropped down into the Makhi Dhund, the "honey swamp."

The parachutists' only casualties were two heat prostrations and one sprained ankle.

Aided by ground patrols, they spent four days in the roundup in the swamp, but crocodiles and

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SENATORS ARGUE OVER OPA BUDGET

Vandenberg Declares Henderson 'Out In Rain With Half An Umbrella'

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R.-Mich.) declared today that Price Administrator Leon Henderson "is out in the rain with only half an umbrella" while Senator McKellar (D.-Tenn.) contended that a \$41,000,000 budget slash for the Office of Price Administration would still permit it to "function justly, vigorously and accurately."

The debate was preliminary to votes tomorrow on restrictions proposed by the Senate appropriations committee upon OPA operations

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AUSTRALIANS REPULSE NEW GERMAN ATTACKS AT TEL EL EISA RIDGE

Fuel Oil Outlook Dreary For 1,250,000 Families

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—An increasingly dreary outlook for eastern motorists and 1,250,000 families using oil for heating was drawn today by the petroleum industry war council, which reported it could see now virtually no prospect for easing of the shortage.

William E. Boyd, Jr., council chairman and president of the American Petroleum Institute, said overland supplies would not be sufficient for the last quarter of 1942 and the first quarter of 1943, "regardless of all of the measures which the petroleum industry and the government are taking."

"Only by substantial tank ship movement averaging 300,000 barrels a day from now on, could provide enough petroleum to cover the demand, at least at the rate the east coast now is using it," he said.

His summary of the outlook was based on a report by the council's economic committee which estimated the essential demand for petroleum products on the east coast would average 1,137,000 barrels a day for the third quarter of this year, 1,372,000 barrels for the fourth quarter and 1,460,000 barrels in the first quarter of 1943.

To this, the committee said, should be added about 160,000 barrels a day "if real consumer hardship is to be avoided." The normal unrestricted demand this year would have averaged 1,600,000 barrels a day.

GANDHI DECLARES 'OPEN REBELLION'

Indian Leader Says No Room Left For Negotiation On Country's Status

LONDON, July 14.—(AP)—Mohandas K. Gandhi, commenting on the new all-India congress party resolution proposing the withdrawal of British rule from India, was quoted by Reuters today as saying "there is no room left for negotiation—either they recognize India's independence or they don't."

"There is no question of 'one more chance,'" Gandhi was reported to have said shortly after the resolution was published by the working committee of the party which has been in session at Wardha, India, more than a week seeking agreement on Gandhi's reported non-violent mass movement to gain independence.

"This is open rebellion," the little Indian leader said. "I conceive of a mass movement on the widest possible scale, though of purely non-violent character. My intention is to make the movement as short and as swift as possible."

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Air Force Hits Armored Cars Near El Daba

Reported To Have Flattened Approaching Motorized Infantry

5 TANKS DESTROYED

Each Enemy Assault Wilts Before Three-Ply Defense Of Allies

CAIRO, July 14.—(AP)—Australian desert troops have repulsed Axis armored counter-attacks aimed at regaining the dominant coastal ridge at Tel El Eisa—Hill of Jesus—and the Royal Air force stepped up operations today against masses of tanks and motorized equipment the enemy is bringing up around El Daba.

Sixteen large-scale RAF operations by British fighter-bombers supported the ground forces defending General Sir Claude Auchinleck's newly won positions at the northern end of the Egyptian battlefield.

The aerial swarms were declared to have flattened the approaching Axis tanks and motor-borne infantry in mass operations beginning yesterday.

In the first phase of the day-long battle on the north, heavy RAF bombers struck at the enemy transport columns and concentrations, and this was followed up by a big fighter-bomber attack on Axis airfields to keep as many planes land-locked as possible.

As a result the enemy air activity was satisfactorily curtailed to an extent that permitted the RAF to develop cooperating operations with ground forces later in the fighting against enemy attacks.

Among five German tanks destroyed by direct bomb hits were four of the powerful "Mark 3" type.

Marshal Erwin Rommel's tanks and infantry battered throughout yesterday morning at the allied salient along the coastal railway west of El Alamein at intervals of approximately an hour, but each attack wilted before the three-ply defense put up by heavy artillery barrages, the Aussie ground troops and the RAF.

(The Italian high command claimed "good results," declaring Axis forces had taken numerous prisoners in the desert fighting, including a battalion commander, and spoke of intense aerial activity. The German high command was less sanguine in its claims)

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HOUSE COMMITTEE OKEHS WAR BILL

Approves Six Billion Dollar Levy; Criticized By Knutson

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—The House Ways and Means committee formally approved a new \$6,144,000,000 wartime revenue bill today containing corporation rates which Rep. Knutson (R.-Minn.) said in a minority report were "arrived at through a series of trades and shameless logrolling" and which would injure corporation engaged in the war effort.

In a report to the House, which will start debating the big bill Thursday, the committee majority said that it had tried to obtain "every dollar of additional revenue which, in its opinion, the national economy can bear." It added that "care has been exercised in every instance not to place an unbearable burden upon any taxpayer."

Knutson, one of the two members reported to have voted against the legislation, said in a minority report, speaking of proposed new corporation rates:

"It is no longer a secret that the present formula was arrived at through a series of trades and shameless logrolling. In all my

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