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WILMINGTON, N. C., THURSDAY, JULY 16, 1942

Acc ed Helper

Walter Froehling of Chicago is

among 14 persons arrested by the FBI on charges that they were

associates and aides of eight Nazi agents accused of landing on the Florida and Long Island coasts in

a plot to sabotage U. S. war efforts. Attorney General Francis Biddle said Froehling admitted his nephew, Herbert Haupt, one of the

agents, told him of landing from a U-boat near Jacksonville, Fla.

'SALES ENGINEERS'

ed Of Tremendous Com-

missions In View

contract with the Washington Sales

ies amounting to approximately

owns and estimated that business

Chairman Vinson (D.-Ga.) as-

FINAL EDITION

SOVIET RUSSIA

Germans Push Near Caucasus Oil

ESTABLISHED 1867.

Senate Okehs OPA Budget Appropriation

\$125,000,000 Is Allotted For Operation Of Office

ALSO STOP DELAYS

Bring About Closer Tie-Up Between Agriculture And Prices

WASHINGTON, July 15 .-(P)-The Senate today tentaively approved a \$125,000,-900 appropriation to operate the Office of Price Adminisation during the current fis-

The sum was \$5,000,000 ore than approved by the ppropriations committee, and 50,000,000 more than was voted by the House. Price Administrator Leon Henderson orginally asked for \$210,-

The Senate eliminated from the appropriation a committee - Apwed plan which would have rethe Secretary of Agruculure to take a long series of preminary steps before he and the rice administrator could agree on ny ceilings for processed farm

It adopted 37 to 16 a compromise erely restating existing law ch provides that Henderson and ecretary Wickard cannot start trolling farm prices until they ave reached 110 per cent of par-

The committee proposal prohibting any subsidy payments from e appropriation to enforce price

Following an announcement that Defense Supplies Corporation uld defray the increased cost of inging gasoline into eastern ates, Senator Russell (D. - Ga.) drew an amendment to a pendg appropriation bill which would ve blocked enforcement of a 2 cent increase in the ceiling ce in states served by pipelines awn, however, several midwestsenators criticized the plan ade public by Secretary of Com-

CHURCHILL ASKS

Requests Decrease In Shipment Of Non-Essential Gifts, Supplies

LONDON, Thursday, July 16-179) In a letter to President Roosedividual gifts and supplies from the United States to Britain be or war materials.

arect consignments through the morrow." merican Red Cross to the British Red Cross and Women's Voluntary Services, and through the British War Relief Society to the rsonal service league.

Organizations wishing to make a request to the United States for ne specified gift to meet a special need may apply to the Amercan Gifts Committee for authorion of the shipping space re-

The abrupt halt of what Church-called "the brotherly flow of aterials" to individuals and unthorized groups represents anther notch in the tightening of the British belt.

will not necessarily mean ardship, however, since the prin-(Continued on Page Two; Col. 6)

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA — Slightly outh portion Thursday. ling 7:30 cal data for the 24 hour

(By U. S. Weather Bureau) S. Weather Bureau)
Temperature:
7:30 a. m. 79; 7:30 a. m. 79; 1:30 p. m.
11: maximum 94; minimum
12: maximum 94; minimum Humidity:

1.30 a. m. 53. 7:30 a. m. 78; 1.30 p. m.

Precipitation:

m. 0.18 inches; total since the first

The month 2.44 inches the first

of the month, 2.44 inches,

TIDES FOR TODAY

From the Tide Tables published by

S. Coast and Geodetic Survey):

6:36p. 3:27a. se 5:12a; sunset 7:24p;

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drawn into the war.

Head A.E.F. Units



Maj. Gen. M. W. Clark (top) has been placed in command of nas been placed in command of all United States ground troops in Britain, and Maj. Gen. J. C. H. Lee (bottom) has been given charge of the Services of Supply for American forces in Britain. Gen. Clark is from New York and Gen. Lee comes from Junction City, Kas.

NAZI SABOTEUR'S

Military Commission Listens To Statement From One Of Accused

Military Commission trying eight sales price figure would either itself built.

Nazis for their lives announced late force advances in livestock feed The discl today that during the afternoon it heard "a very long statement the accused to the FBI."

FOR WAR GOODS The prisoner was not identified, but there has been speculation—intensified since the disclosure that Colonel Carl L. Ristine had been counsel - that one of the eight, George John Dasch, had been helpful in the preparation of the government's case.

The reading of the statement required the entire afternoon and will continue tomorrow, said the an-said tonight that President Roose-nouncement by Major General velt soon would request more strincommission.

"The afternoon session was deinished to save shipping space voted to the reading into evidence of a very long statement which To this end the foreign office had been made by one of the acspace would be allocated only to this statement will be continued to-

ORTIZ SUCCUMBS IN BUENOS AIRES

Former President Of Argentine Republic Dies At Age Of 55

BUENOS AIRES, July 15-A-Roberto M. Ortiz, who had hoped until three weks ago to return to the active presidency and steer Argentina on his pan-American good ness, he was 55.

He was a critic of the "imperialistic past" of the United States but he was an early advocate of Pan-American solidarity, became an ardent "good nieghbor" and in deploring the "destructive forces" loosed at Munich he called Adolf Hitler "a guttersnipe."

on loan to the U. S. to show the American soldier, sailor and marine how to treat the Axis.

A chronic sufferer from diabetes, he was forced to relinquish the aclive presidency two years ago, going into seclusion nearly blind, and to an audience made up of every was succeeded by Vice-President branch of the service as he tossed the first title of acting president.

The conservative Castillo's interregnum administration held to strict neutrality as one European country after another and eventually the United States and several other American nations were

To date, neither Argentina nor

Farm Measure Passes House After Delay.

Two Months Deadlock Is Broken By Senate Proposal On Program

GOES TO PRESIDENT

Will Allow Sale Of Wheat Below Parity Value Of Corn Crops

WASHINGTON, July 15. to livestock to produce meat, today as the House gave way to a Senate proposal designed to make the program effec-

agreed to go along with the Senate and allow the sale of 125,000,000 bushels of government - owned wheat at 85 per cent of the parity price of corn, or about 83 cents a bushel, for livestock feed and industrial uses.

Twice before, the House had vot-

The long overdue \$805,000,000 Agriculture Department appropriation bill was then speedily passed by the Senate an! sent to the White House. The grain-price issue had arisen in connection with an

ration but compromise figures approved by the House yesterday were quickly agreed to by the Sen-

which had been made by one of CONTROL OF PRICES from J. B. Decker, vice-president and general manager of the tri-

appointed as his special defense F. D. R. Expected To Also Ask Some For Wage Stabilization

> The new proposals are to be \$24,000,000 and that, "on the book the house passes the tax bill ton firm would receive about \$256,tion but who preferred not to be company received a two and one-

of Queensberry.

geants winced!

to count too much on plans orig-(Continued on Page Two; Col. 5)

prandial exercises, the same room way.

Port Said may now push over— been found wanting physically, in-those who are left at least—for sofar as Army service is con-their gouging knee raising and gression, died today after a long incapacitating complication of ill-knife wielding is strictly Marquis of Overscharzy (Continued on Page Tko: Col. 7) anese might attack in Siberia.

Evacuation Of Two Cities Boguchar And Millerovo Are Surrendered By Russian Troops

Nazis Force

Soviets Fight Off Renewed Attacks Against Voronezh

'MENACE IS GREAT'

By EDDY GILMORE MOSCOW, Thursday, July 16.—(P)—Two German columns driving in separate sectors toward the steel city of Stalingrad have forced Russian troops to evacuate the towns of Boguchar, on the Don river in the north, and Millerovo, on the Moscow-Rostov railway supply line and only 175 miles from Stalingrad, the Russian high command reported early to-

On the northern limits of the battlefront, Soviet troops fought off a renewed series of German attacks against Voronezh, the midnight communique said. There were no material changes in other sectors of the long fighting line The official Russian press meanwhile warned that the "menace is great" on the approaches of the

Caucasus. Fighting in the Voronezh area is developing with increased ferocty," the Russians said. "A numper of fortified positions have hanged hands several times."

PROFITING ON WAR Soviet troops, counter - attacking after German thrusts in several sectors, have forced Nazi tank and infantry units to withdraw with

Several German reserve diviions have been rushed eastward from France and Belgium, the communique said, to fill the gaps The House Naval committee was in the Russian front caused by tremendous Nazi casualties. styles "sales engineers" stood to

At Voronezh, where the Germans Garner commissions on millions of made their first great plunge southeleventh-hour counter - attacks on the south side of the city pushed The disclosure, drawing expresthe Germans back to the point sions of amazement and concern where they crossed from committee members, came on the north approaches the Rus-

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RUSSIA IS PLEADING spent \$4,000,000 to supplement the company's facilities with factories FOR SECOND FRONT Decker testified that triumph. which operated the government plant as well as its own, had a

Qualified Sources Report Engineering company of Shirley, Olcott and Nichols entitling the latter to one per cent of the Reds Request Through **Envoy In Britain**

> By DREW MIDDLETON
> LONDON, July 15.—(P)—Advocates of a second land front in to help Soviet Russia pressed firmly tonight for quick action while British sources report ed definite and favorable progress

in the battle against Nazi submarines which looms as an important factor in all second front consid-Qualified London sources who declined to permit use of their names said Russia was pleading again through her envoy, Ivan Maisky, for prompt help by a Brit-

ish-American expedition to Europe to take some of the tremendous Nazi pressure off the Red Army The Russians in Moscow were indirectly presenting a case for a second front with official reports that the Nazis, suffering huge lossriedly transferred several divisions from France and Belgium to the

New Nazi drives in the Rostov area (1) and fighting at Boguchar (2) bring the German menace closer to Russia's Caucasus oil fields. The struggle for Voronezh (3) continued with indications (shaded arrows) that a German triumph would bring a further drive to split Moscow from the south and a push toward the Ural industrial area. Russians claim they fought off new attacks in the Kalanin area (4) but the Germans said they have scored new victories southwest of Rzhev.

TURKEY 4

48 Naval Ships Lost Since October, 1941

(By The Associated Press) The loss of 48 United States naval craft in all categories since the submarine-sinking of the destroyer Reuben James in the North Atlantic Oct. 30, 1941, was revealed in an Associated Press compilation of official announcements today.

The tabulation:

ANKARA

Battleships: Arizona. Aircraft carriers: Lexington (finished off sy U. S. destroyer). Cruisers: Houston.

Destroyers: Reuben James; Downes, Cassin, Peary, Jacob Jones, Pope, Stewart (destroyed to prevent capture); Edsall, Pillsbury, Sturtevant (sunk by an underwater explosion); Sims, Hamman, one unidentified.

Submarines: S-26 (blackout collision), Shark, Sealion (destroyed to prevent capture); Aircraft tenders: Langley (fin-

ished off by U. S. escort.)
Target ships: Utah.

Gunboats: Asheville, Mindanao, Oahu, Luxon (destroyed to prevent capture), Wake (captured by Japanese.) Transports: Liberty, Meigs.

Submarine tenders: Canopus (destroyed to prevent capture). Minesweepers: Penguin, Bittern (destroyed to prevent capture), Finch, Pigeon, Quail (destroyed to prevent capture),

Tanager. Minelayers: Oglala.

Navy oilers: Neches, Pecos, Neosho (finished off by escort.) Coast guard cutters: Alexander Hamilton (capsize

tow and finished off by gunfire), Acacia. Torpedo boats: PT-35 (destroyed to prevent capture), unidenti-

fied (abandoned during MacArthur's trip from Philippines to Australia.) Patrol vessels: Cythera, YP-

Tugs: Mapa (destroyed to prevent capture), Gannet.

Army Expects East Coast U.S. EMPLOYMENT Of America To Be Bombed, Says Liason Officer Sides

RALEIGH, July 15-(AP)-The Army expects the east coast of the United States to be bombed and is speeding up instruction of the civilian organization, Lonnie Sides, liaison officer of Fourth Region Civilian Defense headquarters in Atlanta, said here today. Sides attended a bomb recon-

naissance school conducted by the Army for civilian defense officers of the Wilmington district this week. Instruction was given on proceedure during high explosive bomb attacks. Heretofore instruction had been largely on handling incendiary bombs. A second bomb reconnais-

sance school will be held in Chapel Hill in August in connection with the second series general civilian protection schools to be conducted by the Institute of Government in cooperation with the state office of Civilian Defense, Sides stated. State OCD Director Ben Douglas and civilian protection officers from 30 counties at-

HITS NEW PEAK

53,300,000 Persons Are At Work In Nation During Month Of June

States reached a new peak of 53,-300,000 in June, the works projects administration reported today. At the same time the WPA said there was a jump of 1.700,000 betwen May and June in the number

Chairman Paul V. McNutt that 12,-

Despite the rise in employment, fact that from May to June. the

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200 'SPITFIRES' **STRAFE GERMANS**

Of French Coast In Attack On Nazi Camps

posts and scattering German troops "all over the countryside."

A squadron of fighting French ner Welles, in Washington, anairmen played a leading role in the attack, the air ministry news service said tonight, sweeping over

Allies Pound Axis Armies; Hold Ground

Strike Suddenly In El Alamein Sector: Capture Number Of Enemy

RAF CONTINUES RAIDS

Destroy All But One Unit In Desert Convoy Of 15 Cars And Tanks

By EDWARD KENNEDY CAIRO, Egypt, July 15.— (P)-British forces striking suddenly in the central sector of the El Alamein battleground captured an "appreciable" number of prisoners in a sharp offensive tonight while Australians on the central road were throwing back

Field Marshal Erwin Rommel to regain lost ground. A considerable amount of British armor was known to have been massed in this central sector of the desert battleground some 80 miles west

a strong attempt by Nazi

of Alexandria. The British hit the Axis in the center while Marshal Erwin Rommel was fiercely engaged on the coast road. There, too, he was repulsed and attacks in other sectors also were thrown back.

The RAF was considerably active, fighter bombers and light bombers scoring many direct hits

who destroyed an enemy ank said he saw it "turn inside out." The new Nazi effort to retake the desert coastal ridge five miles west of El Alamein began with a sundown attack by motorized infantry and tanks yesterday, wore on through the night and continued

The pilot of one light bomber

until it was beaten off this eve-After being repulsed in a day-light attack Monday with considerable losses, Marshal Erwin

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HOPEFUL REPORTS **HEARD BY SOLONS**

Synthetic Rubber Outlook Appears Brighter Under New Methods

WASHINGTON, July 15- (A) -Congressional committees received hopeful reports on the synthetic rubber situation today, one of them a statement that new processes might lead eventually to an annual production of 1,000,000 tons instead of the 800,000 tons contemplated in the government's program. This word came from W. S. Far-

ish, president of the Standard Oil company (New Jersey). Newly developed methods, he said, would make it possible to turn out the additional 200,000 tons, an extra quantity which might go toward WASHINGTON, July 15—(4)—To-filling essential employment in the United tion needs. filling essential civilian transporta-"This is good news," he told a

House mines subcommittee, "but it does not warrant undue optimism on the part of American motorists. There should be conservation of rubber. Driving speeds should be reduced to save wear on tires. Un-The announcement followed necessary driving should be elimlosely a report by Manpower inated. We are not yet out of the woods in this business of synthetic 500,000 persons now were engaged rubber, and nothing should be done in work directly connected with to waste supplies that may turn out to be critical.'

Secretary of Commerce Jesse nowever, an increase of 200,000 was Jones relayed to the Senate bankreported in the number of persons ing committee a statement from isted as unemployed, due to the the rubber industry trat "with a minimum amount of natural rubber and a modest amount of scrap, existing tires can, with careful driving and constant attentions, be kept going for two years or longer" Retreading with thickol, which uses small amounts of critical ma-

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Laval To Publish Texts Of Warship Negotiation

PARIS, Occupied France, July 15.-(A)-Pierre Laval, chief of the Vichy government, announced to-LONDON, July 15 - (P) - Two night he is planning to publish tohundred daring spitfire fighters morrow full texts of French neflying only a few feet above the gotiations with the United States. ground shot up 200 miles of the Germany and Italy concerning French coast in a low-level atandria.

Acting Secretary of State Sumnounced Tuesday that France twice had rejected American proposals to remove the warships in (Continued on Page Two; Col. 7) toward Alexandria.

(P)—A two-month congressional deadlock over an agriculture department program to convert government-owned surplus wheat to United States war needs by feeding it eggs and milk came to an end

After rejecting a new compromise proposal offered by Chairman Cannon (D.-Mo.) of its appropriations committee, the House

ed to bar such sales unless made at the full parity price of wheat, or about \$1.35 a bushel.

for the Farm Security Adminis-

The break in the House stand came only after President Roose- informed today that three selfvelt and Secretary of Agriculture Wickard had made repeated appeals for the Senate proposal. WASHINGTON, July 15—IP—The They contended that the House in a plant which the government eastward almost two weeks ago,

> (Continued on Page Two; Col. 6) umph explosive company at Elkton, Md., where the government

An influential member of congress amount of Navy work secured for velt. Prime Minister Churchill Frank R. McCoy, president of the gent price control legislation, including some form of wage stabil- formed in the government factor-

transmitted to congress within a value" of its contract with Shirley, week or two, probably shortly aft- Olcott and Nichols, the Washingnext week, said the congressman, who is an authority on the situa-

quoted by name.

"It's been only a matter of 'when' for some time," he retracts awarded for performance in the plants which triumph itself the plants which triumph itself are the plants which triumph itself the plants wh

Members of the house reported amounted to approximately \$14,-they had been told unofficially not 000,000.

(Continued on Page Two; Col. 1) Commando's Trainer Shows How It's Done that the Nazis, suffering huge losses in the battles in southern Russia, had in the last few days hur-

NEW YORK, July 15.—(P)—Those polite lads from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from from France and polite lads from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from from France and polite lads from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from from France and polite lads from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from from France and polite lads from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa) and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from France and the civilians who've Russian from France and the civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and civilians who've Russian from Hell's Kitchen and vice versa and the civilians who who was a second to the civilians who who was a second to the civilians who who was a second to the civilians who was a second to the ci

The new champion of "get him before he gets you' displayed his wares here. And even top serWares here. And even top serWares here. And even top ser-He is Major W. E. Fairbairn, Foils Landing Of Saboteurs trainer of the British commandos,

WASHINGTON, July 15— (A) made the statement was not idenof 57 years, explained his method saboteurs from a submarine on the ernment prepare its case. Ramon S. Castillo, who took the big strapping exponents of Judo it was disclosed officially today, (Jiu-Jitsu) about the Hotel Astor's Before he got through the post-

stumbling through the fog, discov-The Office of War Information

and started them down the path to made public the Coast Guard's part their life-or-death trial now under in the case, explaining that the details came from the official files As this story was unfolded, the of the Coast Guard, that the inforlooked like a picnic of the Don-neybrook Chowder and Marching Military Commission trying the mation was assembled before the Society. Usually correct majors from the air force were practic-devoted the afternoon to hearing closure "does not violate the rules ing on lieutenant commanders "a very long statement which had from the Navy, ensigns were toss-been made by one of the accused tary Commission." ing chief petty officers about (and to the FBL" The prisoner who The Guardsman. John C. Cullem,

Major Fairbairn, mild looking and mild talking British veteran and the lonely beach in the foggy night ered the nocturnal landing of Nazi of the defendants, helped the gov- and had covered but 300 yards when he saw three men-one in civilian clothes on the shore and two in bathing suits, knee deep in the water.

No answer.

Still no answer.

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Shoot Up Over 200 Miles

"What's the trouble?" Cullen tack today, blasting camps, gun

"Who are you?" Cullen called