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Hull Gives Outline of Measures To Be Taken After War World Turns Neutrals

International Agency Will Keep Peace, 'By Force If Necessary'

WASHINGTON, July 23.—(AP)—Secretary of State Hull unfolded a blueprint tonight of some of the measures to be taken for a better world when the war is won, including an international agency to keep the peace "by force, if necessary," and "adjustment" of national armaments.

At the same time he warned the remaining neutrals that their professions of neutrality were "absurd and suicidal" in the face of the world-wide conflict and called upon "all people who prize liberty" to fight for it as their duty.

Hull's outline of post-war projects was one of the most specific yet made by a responsible official of the United Nations and amplified the policies previously advanced by Vice President Wallace and Undersecretary Sumner Welles, among others.

It was delivered in an address prepared for broadcast over a 11 international networks and to be heard to the world. The speech had been eagerly awaited since President Roosevelt revealed it at his Tuesday press conference.

Hull advocated the widely discussed "period of transition" after the war during which the United Nations cooperatively must "supplement and make more effective the action of countries individually in establishing public order, in providing swift relief, in meeting the manifold problems of readjustment."

"Beyond these," he continued, "there will be before all countries the great constructive task of building human freedom and Christian morality on firmer and broader foundations than ever before. This task, too, will of necessity call for both national and international action."

To prevent war, Hull said it was "plain that some international agency must be created which can—by force, if necessary—keep

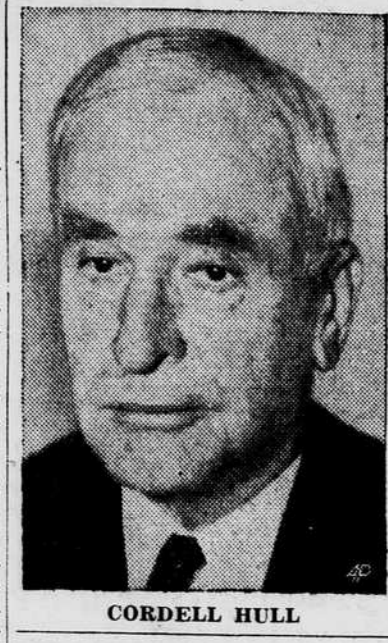
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COMMUNITY CHEST OFFICERS ELECTED

Harriss Newman Named As President Of Civic Organization Here

Officers of the Community Chest were elected by laws adopted and an outside firm selected to aid in conducting the campaign by delegates from the six participating agencies at a meeting held Thursday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce.

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CORDELL HULL

NAVAL BUILDING TRIPLES IN YEAR

House Committee Reveals Increase Of 360 Per Cent Over Year Ago

WASHINGTON, July 23.—(AP)—A 360 per cent increase in naval ship construction over a year ago and development of an air arm "which will provide the United States with the strongest offensive force in naval history" were reported tonight by the House Naval Committee.

In a progress summation of the Navy's construction program, the committee said that American industry was sending vessels down the ways far sooner than anticipated and that its ingenuity was turning out "improved models of all types" of planes.

The report declared that the Midway island and Coral sea engagements "demonstrated that aviation constitutes the determining factor in such conflicts."

It also said that the Navy, "with full realization of the efficiency of multi-engine land planes for patrols in certain areas," was using them for anti-submarine warfare "with outstanding success," and added that the first of those squadrons "accounted for not less than five Axis submarines."

The report said that 3,230 naval ships, in the classifications of combatant and auxiliary ships and patrol and mine craft, were building as of June 30, 1942, as compared with 687 a year ago.

In a breakdown of the scheduled program for ship completion during the fiscal year of 1941, the committee said that 60 combatant vessels were actually completed as compared with 48 expected.

Ten auxiliaries were completed as compared with nine predicted, and 143 patrol craft as compared with 100.

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Salient Points Of Secretary Of State's Broadcast Last Night

WASHINGTON, July 23.—(AP)—Some highlights of Secretary of State Hull's radio address tonight: Professions of neutrality in the face of a world-wide movement to subjugate all nations and all peoples, are as absurd and suicidal as are such professions on the part of a citizen of a peaceful community attacked by a band of confessed outlaws.

By the barbarian invaders of today nothing is spared—neither life, nor morals, nor honor, nor virtue, nor pledges, nor the customs, the national institutions, even the religion of any people.

Liberty is truly won only when it is guarded by the same watchfulness, the same courage, the same willingness to fight for it which first secured it.

There is no chance for liberty for any people anywhere save through the victory of the free peoples. Never did a plainer duty to fight against its foes devolve upon all peoples who prize liberty and all who aspire to it.

We are forced to fight because we ignored the simple but fundamental fact that the price of peace and of the preservation of right and freedom among nations is the acceptance of international responsibilities.

It has been our purpose in the past—and will remain our purpose in the future—to use the full measure of our influence to support attainment of freedom by all peoples who, by their acts, show themselves worthy of it and ready for it.

With victory achieved, our first concern must be for those whose sufferings have been almost beyond human endurance.

All countries—those which will need relief and those more fortunate—must be helped.

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28 ARE INDICTED ON SEDITION COUNT

Charged With Widespread Conspiracy To Promote Revolt In Army

WASHINGTON, July 23.—(AP)—A widespread conspiracy to promote revolt in the army and navy was charged today in an indictment against 28 persons which was opened in federal district court here.

The accusation, carrying penalties up to 20 years in prison and \$10,000 fine, climaxed nine months' investigation by a federal grand jury which reached into all parts of the country in hearing nearly 7,000 pages of testimony by 150 witnesses.

The defendants probably will be arraigned in Washington next Thursday, a Justice department official said, with the trials probably starting in late September or early October.

The indictment was returned secretly on Tuesday and handed up to Judge James W. Morris in the district court for the District of Columbia. Its existence became known yesterday when some of the accused were arrested, but details

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OPINIONS FREE SAYS RATCLIFFE

British Journalist Speaks To Press Conference In Asheville

ASHEVILLE, July 23.—(AP)—While there is full censorship of all war news in Great Britain, there is no censorship of opinion, and editorial comment is free, S. K. Ratcliffe, British journalist, told the North Carolina Press Association at the opening session here tonight of its seventeenth annual convention.

"The maintenance of this vital distinction, and no British or American government would seek to abolish it, is of course an essential difference between our system and that of the Axis," the speaker, correspondent of the Spectator and member of the British Information Service declared.

The speaker praised the appointment of Elmer Davis in this country as head of the Office of War Information, and explained that there is more division of authority in Great Britain.

He told of the practical and technical difficulties of the British

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Predicts Victory



Visiting in New York en route from Egypt to England, Capt. Randolph Churchill (above), son of the British prime minister, predicted "if we're lucky," the United Nations will win the war next year, and "if we're unlucky," we'll win by the end of 1944.

An office of a British paratrooper formation, Churchill was injured recently in an automobile accident in Egypt.

HOUR OF CRISIS NEAR FOR CHINA

Military Experts Believe Japan Can Be Beaten With Large Air Force

WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCES IN CHINA, July 23.—(Wide World)—China's hour of crisis is approaching, say United States and Chinese military experts who are confident that quick, big scale air force action by America can beat the Japanese.

Unless truly important air help comes soon, say these observers, who could not be quoted directly, there is likely to be disaster. If help does come, they appear certain that United States fliers can smash Japanese air strength here and effectively check any Japanese campaign toward final military subjugation of China.

The Japanese are reported massing troops both in Indo-China and

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U. S. AIR MIGHT SHOWING GROWTH

RAF Cadets In America Shifted To Dominions To Make Way For Americans

WASHINGTON July 23.—(AP)—The growing air might of Britain and America was reflected tonight in an announcement that the Royal Air Force cadet training program at U. S. Army air fields was being shifted to bases in the British Dominions to make way for the rapidly increasing numbers of American aviation cadets.

An RAF announcement, issued simultaneously in London and through the War Department here, said the change was agreed upon both because Britain has developed her training capacity in the Do-

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City Manager Position Accepted By Nichols

Will Arrive August 10

Greenwood, S. C., Manager Selected By Council Yesterday

Acceptance of the city manager post here by A. C. Nichols, Greenwood, S. C., manager, was received here last night by Mayor Hargrove Bellamy in a telephone conversation with Mr. Nichols.

Mayor Bellamy declared that Mr. Nichols informed him that he would assume his duties here on August 10.

Mr. Nichols was nominated unanimously for the office, at a city council meeting yesterday, over the other two candidates for the position, A. L. Meisel, city manager of Wil-

liamsburg, Va., and Chester F. Lewis of Wilmington, former city manager of Morganton.

Mr. Nichols will become Wilmington's second city manager under the manager-council form of government, succeeding James G. Wallace who left the city two weeks ago after having submitted his resignation, terminating 10 months service here.

City councilmen who investigated Mr. Nichols' record said that he has served as city manager of Greenwood since 1939 and has made an excellent name for himself there.

Prior to going to Greenwood, he served as city manager of Clearwater, Fla., for six years. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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Consolidating Positions Won In New Phases

British Seeking To Force Issue, Go Into Third Night Without Decision

HAVE NEW EQUIPMENT

Most Of Enemy Contacted Now Are Germans; Italian Action Diminished

By EDWARD KENNEDY CAIRO, Egypt, July 23.—(AP)—The army of the Nile carried the fight to the Axis forces along the entire 40-mile Alamein desert front today for the second straight day but its main attention was devoted to consolidating positions won in the opening phase of the new battle.

The British, seeking to force the issue, went into the third night of the attack without a major decision in sight.

An early assessment of British gains showed tank and infantry advances and consolidation in the center, at the western end of Ruweisat, and about Deir E Sheim, and some progress by Imperial infantry in both the northern and southern sectors.

Obviously the British had many new tanks and guns.

The enemy forces encountered at most points were predominantly German, indicating diminished Italian participation in the main battle which raged about 80 miles west of Alexandria. Some prisoners were taken.

(The Italian high command announced that "our forces" occupied

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JAPANESE TROOPS GET HOLD AT BUNA

Between 1,500 And 2,000 Enemy Soldiers Digging In On New Guinea

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, July 23.—(AP)—Some 1,500 to 2,000 Japanese troops were dug in tonight at their third toe-hold on New Guinea, the great island just northeast of Australia, posing a tentative new threat to Port Moresby, the most advanced Allied base in the South Seas.

The landing was at Buna, 110 miles across the narrow neck of Papua from Port Moresby on the eastern peninsula of New Guinea and on the northern shore. Allied forces inflicted heavy casualties, sinking a transport and landing barge and destroying a seaplane, a communique said.

Won at heavy cost, the new Japanese incursion will be difficult to exploit because virtually impenetrable jungle-clad mountains, in which Owen Stanley range rises to 13,000 feet, separate the invaders from the U. S. and Australian troops on New Guinea's south shore. No vehicle roads exist and only a few footpaths which are extremely tough going are carved through the lush tropical growths.

The landing broke a four months' lull in the southwest Pacific following Japan's naval defeat in the Coral Sea and might easily be the start of intense new campaigning. Prime Minister John Curtin said the Japanese had been working steadily to make new incursions. Other enemy bases are

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MEAT SHORTAGE TO BE RELIEVED

Secretary Wickard Reveals Plans For Increase In Pork Processing

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS A plan designed to relieve the widespread shortage of meat was announced yesterday by Secretary Wickard of the Department of Agriculture.

The program was aimed at increasing the processing of pork by small packing plants which curtailed operations when pinched between the rising, uncontrolled prices of the animals they buy and the fixed ceiling prices of the meat they sell to retail butchers.

The department decided to lower the price it pays for lease - lend meat approximately \$1 a hundred pounds in the midwest next week and about 75 cents in the east in live hog prices and thus give processors a wider margin between their buying and selling prices.

The government agency also devised a subsidy system for small packers in financial distress. Under it, the department would make contracts with packers to furnish lease-land pork, buy the hogs and pay for the slaughtering. Then it would sell back to the packers distribution in U. S. markets under about 25 per cent of the meat for sale to the packers to make a profit. Earlier, and before the effect of the Wickard plan could be gauged, Price Administrator Leon Henderson

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CD NEEDS

Auxiliary Firemen: 173 (MEN ONLY)

Duties: Similar to regular fire-fighting forces.

Training: General Course, Fire Defense A and B, First Aid, 10 hours.

Enlisted to date: 27. Quota: 200.

ENLISTMENTS YESTERDAY

Air Raid Wardens 9

Auxiliary Police 2

Medical Corps 4

Messengers 1

Total 16

Nazis Attack England With Big Air Assault

LONDON, Friday, July 24.—(AP)—The heaviest German air attack on Britain in weeks broke over three sections of England early today, with Nazi raiders scattering bombs and d flares and defying intense a aircraft fire.

There were no immediate indications that the fliers were concentrating on any one town.

The raiders hit at the north and east Midlands, eastern England and East Anglia, sending down showers of flares and following them with high explosives.

The Germans flew over after another day of RAF attacks on occupied areas.

British splitters flew fast and low over the raiding, spattering machine-gun fire and pouring bombs on enemy troops and gun positions and road, rail and canal traffic.

Although the Air Ministry said the operations were not on a large scale, they were described as intensive, and stiff opposition from the defenders was implied in Brit-

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WEATHER

FORECAST: NORTH CAROLINA—Little change in temperature with occasional local thunderstorms Friday.

Metropolitan data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. (yesterday):

EASTERN STANDARD TIME (By U. S. Weather Bureau)

Temperature: 1:30 a. m. 77; 7:30 a. m. 77; 1:30 p. m. 82; 7:30 p. m. 82; maximum 88; minimum 72; mean 82; normal 79.

Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 86; 7:30 a. m. 88; 1:30 p. m. 81; 7:30 p. m. 75.

Precipitation: Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m. 0.60 inches; total since the first day of the month, 2.44 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY:

(From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey):

Wilmington: High 6:15a., 1:18p.; Low 12:30a., 7:04p.

Surfside 5:42a.; sunset 7:19p.; moonrise 6:16p.; moonset 2:01a.

Cape Fear river stage at Fayetteville, 8 a. m. Thursday, 9.30 feet.

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