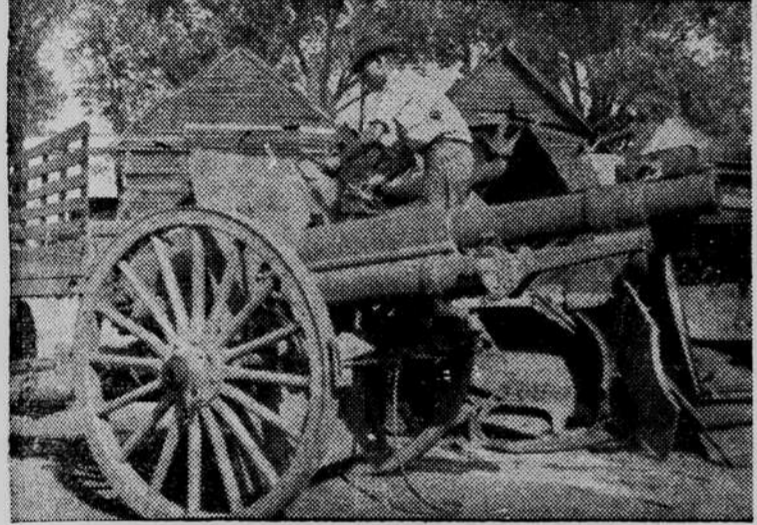


Everything Goes In N. C. Scrap Campaign



Governor and Mrs. J. Melville Broughton, (top), do their part in the all-out effort to fill the nation's steel needs, by dumping a pile of scrap metal on the steps of the Governor's mansion in Raleigh to await the collection truck. In the lower photo is an old pre-World War I cannon, donated by the City Commissioners of Sanford and the commissioners of Lee county. The relic was built about 35 years ago.

30,000,000 School Children To Aid Scrap Salvage Drive

Youngsters To Join Nation In Search For Metals Of War

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The quick and dead were called upon today for a contribution to the metal scrap drive but tomorrow a great torrent of young energy joins the search.

A weightlifter gave his weights . . . Iron urns and benches and fillings from canteens were taken up . . . John Brown's "body," or rather a bronze statue of him, may join the scrap heap.

These were all part of the surging picture of America driving toward a clean sweep of the country as the United newspapers scrap metal drive for junk to feed the mills that will turn out steel muscles of war: planes, guns, tanks, ships.

While they look for it themselves they will keep reminding their families and neighbors, by spoken and written word, to look and look again for the metal vitally needed.

Millions of children already have been searching for weeks but now they go forth organized on a national basis and with this urging from President Roosevelt.

"Millions of young Americans will earn the gratitude of every one of our fighting men by helping to get them the weapons they need—now."

TAVERN EXPLOSION KILLS LOCAL MAN

N. R. Porter, Taxi Driver, Succumbs From Brunswick Explosion

N. R. Porter, Wilmington taxi driver, died at 12:10 o'clock this morning as a result of burns suffered in an explosion of undetermined origin which wrecked a room at the "Pines," a tavern about seven miles from the city in Brunswick county.

The blast happened yesterday morning about 10:30 o'clock Sheriff Dillon Gainey of Brunswick county revealed.

Porter was apparently alone in the room at the time of the explosion, Gainey said, and Mrs. Agnes Harvell, owner of the tavern, was at the front of the establishment tending to a gasoline customer. Damage was estimated at between \$200 and \$300.

Gainey revealed that due to circumstances surrounding the explosion, it was necessary to call the FBI in Charlotte to investigate the matter. Officials from that office are expected to arrive early this morning.

DRIVER DIES

Stinson Branch, driver of the oil tanker which collided with a passenger bus near Lumberton early Saturday morning with a toll of 11 dead and 18 injured in the resulting explosion and fire, died in a Lumberton hospital at 12:30 Monday morning, according to a death message received by the city police department.

The department was asked by Robeson County Sheriff E. C. Wade to deliver the death message to Branch's sister her, Mrs. John Henry Sutton of 405 Castle street.

superiority of American Army aircraft. American Army planes "are constantly knocking down two to three enemy planes for every one of ours that is lost," it said, citing that the record for the 30-day period, August 14 to September 14, in destroying planes showed a ratio of 7.5 for Uncle Sam.

The inquiry was undertaken, in the committee's own words, as a result of recent "criticism of combat aircraft of the Army Air Forces, particularly fighters." It

Youngsters In City Doing Bit To Aid In Scrap Collection

For the past two months, youngsters ranging in age from 6 to 16 have been clambering out of a dilapidated old truck which has a big sign scrawled across its black sides—"Brigades Boy's Club Salvage Campaign"—and have raced across backyards and streets to gather all the scrap metal or rubber they could find.

The efforts of the boys has netted an average above 10,000 pounds of scrap daily for the past two weeks and at no time did they drop below 5,000 pounds a day, W. H. Stewart, director of the club declares.

Long before any organized salvage drive was started here, the handful of boys, led by Stewart, was making its rounds to help Uncle Sam's war effort.

When the newspapers took over last week and made the scrap collection their own battle, the Brigade Boy's club donated its services to the collection end of the business.

It's a familiar sight in Wilmington now when a little fellow of about 6 or 7 years comes straggling.

ROOSEVELT BACKS JOHN J. BENNETT

President Announces Voting Trend For Self In N. Y. Election

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—In a move apparently aimed at solidifying Democratic ranks in his home state against the threat of Republican Thomas E. Dewey's bid, President Roosevelt came out flatly for the first time today behind Attorney General John J. Bennett, who won the democratic nomination for Governor of New York with the support of James A. Farley.

Mr. Roosevelt had backed Senator James Mead to carry his party's standard in the November 3 election and since the Democratic convention at Brooklyn nominated Bennett instead he had brushed aside inquiries at several press conferences as to whether he would support Bennett.

But today reporters were summoned to the White House to receive from a uniformed guard a mimeographed statement headed "for the press, immediate release," which said: "In reply to numerous inquiries

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Australians Advancing In New Guinea

Continue Drive Beyond Efogi In Owen Stanley Mountains

ENEMY RETREATING

Have Not Contacted Main Body Of Japanese In Jungle

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Monday, Oct. 5.—(AP)—Hardhitting Australian bush soldiers continued their advance along the uphill trail of the rugged Owen Stanley mountains of New Guinea yesterday to a point beyond Efogi near the gap through the mountain backbone, a communique said today.

Just how far they advanced was not stated, but it was announced that had pushed beyond Efogi, which was captured the previous day, and still were going ahead. Efogi is 64 miles by the circuitous jungle trail from the Allied base at Port Moresby and about seven miles from the Owen Stanley gap.

Have Not Caught Japs Apparently they had not yet caught up with the main body of the Japanese force, which the communique indicated was retreating. No details of the fighting were given.

An indication that the Japanese were in flight was contained in the official statement that "Allied fighters strafed and harried key points on the enemy's line of retreat."

There was a lull in Allied air activity elsewhere over New Guinea, but medium bombers made a night raid on the airbase at Buaka, on the extreme northern tip of the Solomons, causing fires and explosions near the runway and in the dispersal areas.

At least one enemy plane was said to have been destroyed on the

RENTAL CEILING ORDER IS READY

OPA Chief Reveals Rule To Be Issued Today; To Cover Nation

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Price Administrator Leon Henderson announced tonight that rents in every area of the nation not now controlled would be stabilized at the level of March 1, 1942. The order, carrying out the President's anti-inflation directive, will be issued tomorrow.

Henderson also announced that existing regulations on rent control would be amended to prevent eviction of tenants through the sale of property except in cases of legitimate realty transactions or where hardships would result to the property-owner if he could not obtain permission.

Henderson called upon all landlords who have increased rents since March 1 to reduce them to the former level and said that the Office of Price Administration would "establish machinery for enforcement and administration of this national extension of rent regulations as rapidly as administratively feasible."

In this connection Paul A. Porter, deputy administrator in charge of rents, said that the OPA would need more funds than Congress voted it in the mid-summer budget

WEATHER

FORECAST: NORTH CAROLINA—Continued mild today. (EASTERN STANDARD TIME) (By U. S. Weather Bureau) Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., yesterday: Temperature: 1:30 a. m. 59; 7:30 a. m. 57; 1:30 p. m. 77; 7:30 p. m. 67; maximum 78; minimum 55; mean 66; normal 69. Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 78; 7:30 a. m. 83; 1:30 p. m. 45; 7:30 p. m. 63. Precipitation: Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., 0.09 inches; total since the first of the month, 0.09 inches. TIDES FOR TODAY: (From the Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey): Wilmington High 5:46a. 12:44a. Low 1:30p. 6:13p. Masonboro Inlet High 3:40a. 9:50a. Low 3:58p. 10:25p. Sunrise 6:10a; sunset 5:51p; moonrise 1:34a; moonset 3:21p.

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Brothers Get DSC's



Distinguished Flying Crosses were awarded at a ceremony aboard ship in the Pacific to Dallas J. Bergeron (left) and his brother Frederick for their part in the battle of Midway. They are shown wearing the medals when they arrived at Pearl Harbor. The brothers, who come from Freepoint, Texas, were cited for having "participated in bombing and strafing of fleeing enemy light forces as gunners of scout planes." This is an official U. S. Navy photo.

CHINESE WORKERS IMPRESS WILLKIE

FDR Envoy Tours War Industries; Lunches with Madame Chiang

CHUNGKING, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Wendell Willkie was "greatly impressed" by the efficiency of Chinese war industries he visited here today after being honored at a tea given him by Madame Chiang kai-Shek at which he kissed a Chinese girl war orphan delighting the guests.

In his rapid tour of several of Chungking's war factories, moved inland years ago when the Japanese seized the Chinese seaboard, President Roosevelt's fact-finding envoy questioned managers and workers.

"These industries are efficiently operated and the employees are skillful," he said, "what is being done is well done. A number of social problems remain to be solved, however, such as the high labor turnover.

"One of the principal problems of Free China is the transformation of an agricultural people to an industrial basis."

Madame Chiang kai-Shek had assembled a host of Chinese and foreign notables for her tea at which she described Willkie as "a very distinguished personality so wholeheartedly and essentially human that he is the very embodiment of the warmth and spontaneity which we so admire in Americans. He is a living vibrant symbol of the free nations."

Willkie, Madame Chiang kai-Shek (Continued on Page Two; Col. 4)

Bulgarians Reported In Doubt On Victory By Germany In Fight

ANKARA, Turkey, Oct. 2.—(Delayed)—(AP)—A great many Bulgarians, some of them cabinet members, are beginning to wonder whether Bulgaria has bet on the wrong horse—Germany—in this war as in the last, according to credible travelers but necessarily anonymous travelers reaching Turkey from that Balkan nation.

Some of these informants spent the last decade in Bulgaria. They said the only member of the Bulgarian cabinet who is a 100 per cent believer in Germany is Interior Minister Peter Gabrovsky.

Other ministers, they asserted, are drawing away from Gabrovsky as much as possible in order to keep some safe ground under their feet in case of a German defeat.

Doubt that Germany would win the war flourishes in Bulgaria, and thousands are in concentration camps for expressing their doubts too loudly, some of the travelers related.

Editor's Note: Henry C. Cassidy, 32, of Boston, is chief of the Associated Press bureau at Moscow and has been abroad for the (AP) in Paris, London and Moscow since 1936. His first newspaper work was on the Boston Traveler and later he joined the New Haven bureau of the Associated Press and subsequently was transferred to New York. He has covered most of the Russian-German war from Moscow and Kubyshev and is one of the foreign reporters the Rus-

REDS STILL HOLDING AGAINST GERMANS IN STALINGRAD FIGHTING

NEW ARMY FORMED OF CHINESE VETS

Gen. Joseph Stilwell Welds Fighting Group In Eastern India

SOMEWHERE IN EASTERN INDIA, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Leut.-Gen. Joseph W. ("Uncle Joe") Stilwell has gathered together survivors of Chinese divisions which trekked through the mountainous Burmese jungle into India and has organized them into an elite corps with which he hopes some day to help drive the Japanese into the sea.

They are being trained by Americans and are using American equipment. The number cannot be disclosed, but it may be said for the discomfiture of the Japanese that there are enough to form the solid nucleus of a new striking force.

The existence of such a corps has been a military secret until now. The facts were released to correspondents who were loaded in to a plane and flown to this hilly tiger country to see the Chinese in action in their camp. The correspondents made the journey in the plane of Brig. Gen. Clayton L. Bissell, commander of United States Army Air Forces in India and China. The machine was piloted by Lieut. C. J. Anderson of Atlanta, Ga.

The three head men of the camp all marched out of Burma with Stilwell. They are Col. Frederick McCabe of Chattanooga, Tenn., commandant and head of the infantry section; Col. George W. Sliney of Thempopolis, Wyo., who is head of the artillery section, and Col. William H. Holcombe of Washington, D. C., in charge of the supply service.

On arrival reporters were shown the neat brick buildings used to house Italian war prisoners. Then they got into reconnaissance cars and set out to see how the Chinese are progressing in what has become "Uncle Joe's" pet project.

The first stop was at the hospital. This is an important institution at the camp because several hundred must be nursed back to health. Many became ill with malaria and other afflictions after the desperate march through the jungle.

"They respond well to good treatment and food," said Maj. C. E. Warrenburg, Phoenix, Ariz., who is in charge of the hospital. "They can eat unbelievable amounts of rice. The ration rate is two pounds daily, plus mutton, chicken and vegetables washed down with their favorite drink—boiling hot water."

INFLATION ORDER GETS COMPLAINTS

2 Southern Senators Express Fear Of Farm Price Level Change

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The terms of President Roosevelt's sweeping anti-inflation order brought complaints from two Southern Senators today that Congressional steps to uphold farm price levels might be nullified.

Senators Bankhead (D-Ala.) and Russell (D-Ga.) pointed with criticism to the stipulation in the President's executive order that benefit payments be taken into account, through "appropriate deductions" from parity or comparable prices, in setting agricultural price ceilings.

Russell declared that this would offset the gains hoped for as a result of the legislative stipulation that farm labor costs be given appropriate weight where necessary in price-fixing. Bankhead told reporters that the President's move

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Size Doesn't Count



Although Cadet Arthur G. Moseley (left) of Jacksonville, Fla., is small in size, his upper-class aviation cadet's authority is supreme as he commands Calvin B. Vance, Jr. (right) of Batesville, Miss., an under-classman, to "rap 'em back" in a brace at the Army Air Forces Pre-Flight School for Pilots at Maxwell Field, Ala. Officials look on this practice of instruction in military ways and customs of the Air Forces by upper-classmen as an effective manner of teaching incoming cadets the art of soldiering.

GERMANS MAY EAT AT EUROPE'S COST

Goering Promises Comrades Food Even At Expense Of Other Lands

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering, Nazi No. 2 and one of the best nourished men in Germany, told his compatriots today that they would be fed this winter at the expense, if necessary, of the rest of Europe. Goering was blunt about it:

"In stilling the pangs of hunger the German people come first. It is my wish that the populations of territories placed under our care or conquered by us should not suffer hunger," he said.

"But if difficulties of food supply arise due to measures by the enemy then all should know: if there is hunger, it will be, in no event, in Germany. From now on it must be an unshakable policy that German workmen and those working in Germany be supplied with food the best of all."

Goering spoke for an hour and forty-eight minutes in connection with the annual harvest festival and his morale-building address indicated unmistakably that German military leaders entertain no hope of finishing Russia quickly and that the high command is resigned to another defensive winter in Russia, with Germany exposed to air attack from the west.

The marshal asked all Germans to stand up under British bombing with patience, and said his own air force is so busy in Russia that he cannot get around immediately to meeting the British challenge in

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KEEPING INITIATIVE

No Let-Up In Intensity Of Battle For Big Steel City

MANY NAZIS KILLED

Soviet Attacks Smash Many Drives By Enemy In Sector

MOSCOW, Monday, Oct. 5.—(AP)—The Russians held their ground stubbornly against incessant German attacks in the battered city of Stalingrad yesterday, a communique said today, and maintained the initiative northwest of the city, where the Red army's advances in the past few days were said to be threatening the entire German position.

The communique neither claimed advances for the Soviet forces nor acknowledged withdrawals, but it appeared there was no let-up in the intensity of the fighting despite earlier Soviet dispatches that the Germans lacked reserves within the city.

"The enemy, with infantry and tank forces is attacking our positions incessantly," the communique said, speaking of the battle in the rubble-filled streets.

Nazis Attack Six Times "Two battalions of German infantry supported by tanks attacked the position of one of our units six times in one day. Our men supported by artillery repulsed all the German attacks and wiped out about 200 enemy officers and men."

In another sector within the city Soviet forces were said to have smashed several blockhouses held by the Germans and killed about three companies of German infantry.

Referring to the fighting northwest of Stalingrad, the communique said the Red army continued to conduct "active operations," the expression used to indicate they held the initiative.

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SOLOON DENOUNCES NEW VICTORY TAX

Asserts Levy Would Disregard Person's Ability To Pay

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—Senator Danaher (R-Conn) today denounced the proposed five percent levy on gross income contained in the tax bill scheduled for Senate would entirely disregard the individual's capacity to pay.

The Senate is to take up the measure Tuesday, after a formal report from its finance committee on the 567-page bill Monday or Tuesday.

The House passed a bill nine weeks ago providing for additional revenue of about \$6,291,300,000. Since then the Senate committee has overhauled the measure, listening to a long list of witnesses including Treasury spokesmen, and producing a bill to provide additional taxes estimated between seven and eight billion dollars. Congressional action on the anti-inflation legislation also contributed to the delay in Senate consideration of the tax measure.

Danaher, discussing with newspapermen the "victory tax" provision of the bill, which was one of the Senate committee's additions to the House measure, contended that after educating a generation of the American people to the

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U. S. Army Planes Better Than Any Against Them

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(AP)—The conclusion that United States Army planes "are more than a match for any of the planes that are now pitted against them" was reported today by the House Military Subcommittee on Aviation after an investigation into the planes' performance in actual combat.

In its formal report, the committee declared that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof," and released official figures on United States and enemy plane losses to demonstrate the

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