

City Scrap Collection Total Jumps 324,440 Pounds On Wednesday

507,790 POUNDS TOTAL Contribution Of Local Shipyard Raises Pile To New Figure 12 POUNDS PER CAPITA Army To Release Only Two Trucks Today; More Urgently Needed

OREGON IN LEAD FOR SCRAP PILE

Northwest State At Top So Far With 45.5 Lbs. Per Capita

(By The Associated Press) Oregon today took the lead from Pennsylvania in reported scrap metal collections to lead all states in the national newspaper drive to collect iron and steel junk, the Newspapers' National Committee reported.

Collections in Oregon since opening of the campaign September 28—it ends October 17—were reported at 25,000 tons, a per capita average of 45.5 pounds for every man, woman and child in the state. Pennsylvania was placed second in the day's tabulation compiled by the committee which hourly is receiving reports showing the scrap collection from coast to coast is reaching great proportions.

The Keystone State, with a total tonnage of 141,885, had a per capita collection of 28.6 pounds. Michigan was third with 15.2 pounds per capita and an aggregate of 40,000 tons.

The other states' collection—in the top ten—reported by the committee, first on a per capita basis in pounds and then by tonnage, were: Maryland: 13—1,843; Virginia: 10.5—14,000; Wisconsin: 9.6—15,018; Missouri: 9—17,000; Idaho: 7.6—2,000; Oklahoma: 6.9—7,706; West Virginia: 6.5—6,218.

Massachusetts, according to the committee, had reported 5.5 pounds per capita with 12,000 tons. The committee expected to release latest figures on Iowa later in the day but estimates so far from that state indicated it had collected 8,103 tons for an average of about 6 pounds per capita.

It was announced last night that only two Army trucks will be available today for the city coverage and this is felt by salvage leads to

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NEW OPA OFFICE SLATED FOR CITY

Field Rationing And Price Control Set-Up To Be Established

Establishment of an OPA field rationing office in Wilmington was revealed yesterday by W. H. Hoffer, of Raleigh, state rationing officer.

The proposed office will serve War Price and Rationing boards and the public in 10 or 15 South-eastern North Carolina counties, he pointed out.

Attached to the office will be a field rationing officer, price control officer, attorney and several inspectors.

Hoffer made announcement of the tentative field rationing office while on a visit here to the New Hanover War Price and Rationing board. He declined to state if personnel is being selected for the Wilmington branch.

Other offices are also slated to be established at Greenville, Asheville, Winston-Salem and Charlotte.

Hoffer described the work of the local war price and rationing board as functioning smoothly. "It is one of the most important boards in the state," he said, "as its job is to service a defense area. The board is doing a good job."

The state rationing official called attention to the fact that willful violation of rationing regulations have "purchased some persons a one-way trip to the federal penitentiary."

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WEATHER

FORECAST: NORTH CAROLINA—Continued cool 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. 55; 1:30 p. m. 77; 7:30 p. m. 67; maximum 77; minimum 52; mean 65; normal 68.

Humidity: 1:30 a. m. 65; 7:30 a. m. 83; 1:30 p. m. 56; 7:30 p. m. 65.

Precipitation: Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., 0.60 inches; total since the first of the month, 0.25 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY: (From The Tide Tables published by U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey): Wilmington High 8:19a. Low 3:04a. Masonboro inlet High 8:38p. Low 3:19p. Sunrise 6:12a. Sunset 5:41p. Moon: 4:24a; moonset 5:11p.

Cape Fear river stage at Fayetteville on Wednesday, at 8 a. m., 45 feet.

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They're Aiding Sc... Campaign



Many churches and religious buildings in New York City are being stripped voluntarily of unneeded tons of metal to help the nation's scrap drive. Archbishop Nicholas (left), of the St. Nicholas Russian Cathedral, is pictured holding an iron fence that surrounds the church while Rev. Michael V. Maslov uses a jack to remove it from the ground. (Central Press)

Latest Japanese Threat To Port Moresby Fails

GEN. MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Oct. 7.—(AP) The latest Japanese threat to Port Moresby had collapsed tonight, with the invaders pushed back to the northeast downslope of the Owen Stanley range and steadily pursuing Australian advance forces in firm control of the mountain pass.

There was no indication where the Japanese would muster strength for a stand.

Dispatches from the New Guinea battle zone said that since the initial stages of the repulse, when the invaders were turned back only 32 air-line miles from Port Moresby by frontal attack and flanking tactics, their rear guard resistance lightened until now the cautious advance of the Australians was unopposed.

One of the mysteries of the Japanese withdrawal was the finding of a number of enemy dead whose bodies bore no wounds, as though they had died of illness or starvation.

There was no indication of extensive illness among the Japanese, however, and the pace of their withdrawal suggested that while they might be on reduced rations, they still were able to move in fair order.

A correspondent of the Melbourne Herald said the Australians, who yesterday pushed on up the range beyond Kagi, within four miles of the Port Moresby advance early today to within two miles of the far end of the pass—headed for the downslope toward Kokoda, the main Japanese inland base.

Allied airplanes virtually ruled the area.

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Willkie Speaks For Self On All Public Statements

WITH THE UNITED STATES FORCES IN CHINA, Oct. 7.—(AP) Wendell L. Willkie traded information with officers and men at an American Army base today after winding up his Chungking visit with a declaration that he was speaking for himself when he made statements such as his Moscow call for a second front.

Replying to questions at a press conference, he said he had been commissioned by President Roosevelt to do certain things and that in anything connected with them he was the President's representative and acted accordingly.

"But when I speak for myself," he added, "I'm Wendell Willkie and say what I damn please."

He said he was speaking as a private individual in all his public statements made so far on his tour of 13 countries.

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Senate Approves New Tax On Corporation Incomes

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—By a found the Senate following the advice of its Finance Committee and disregarding the recommendations of the Treasury. The latter had recommended a rate of 55 percent on corporation incomes over \$50,000. By comparison, the House approved a rate of 45 percent.

The rates cited consisted of a normal tax of 24 percent (unchanged from the present law) plus surtaxes, but not including a 90 percent tax on excess profits.

In detail, the committee proposed and the Senate today approved

Both votes on corporation rates

Japan's Hold On Aleutians Now Weaker

No Trace Of Foe Found On Attu Or Agattu; Are Still On Kiska

UNDER HEAVY ATTACK

Navy And Army Bombers Continue Smashing At Enemy In Area

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Japan's hold on America's Western Aleutian islands appeared tonight to be weakening rapidly.

The Navy announced there was no trace of the enemy on either Attu, the westernmost island and first seized by the Japs, or on nearby Agattu, where the enemy also had placed small forces.

The Japs were still in possession of Kiska island, their most important base of operations in the area, but so far as was known that was the only island they held, and it was under repeated and heavy attack by air.

Navy Cautious This information was given out in a Navy communique which cautiously refrained from claiming that the enemy actually had withdrawn from Attu and Agattu.

From the announced fact that considerable aerial reconnaissance had failed to produce any sign of occupation "for several weeks" it seemed clear, however, that a withdrawal had been effected.

Moreover, American bombers have now destroyed most of the buildings at Attu. Regarding Kiska, the communique said that "attacks by our aircraft continue."

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Pacific War Council Reports Encouraging Outlook On Fighting

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Members of the Pacific War Council met today with President Roosevelt, reported that things were relatively quiet in the Pacific and that the outlook was encouraging.

Leighton McCarthy, the Canadian minister, put it this way: "Things are stationary and very encouraging."

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WLB AFFIRMS HIKE ON CERTAIN WAGES

Board Okes Increases Between September 15 And October 3

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—The War Labor Board today affirmed all its last wages increases and gave provisional approval to any voluntary wage raises between September 15 and October 3, thus clearing the way to start from scratch as of Monday under the President's new anti-inflation order.

The order enlarged the Board's jurisdiction to include labor disputes in all industries. The number of cases which now will come before the board for settlement could not be estimated immediately, as of September 15, with provisions for the correction of inequities.

The board issued three orders in its first action since the President's executive order of Saturday. The ruling of approving all increases put into effect prior to October 3 reserved the right for the board to order discontinuance of such increase which it later finds to be inconsistent with its policy of the executive order or any policy formulated by former Supreme Court Justice James F. Byrnes, economic stabilization director.

Chairman William H. Davis of the board said that it would make no formal request to be notified

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RED ARMY CONTINUES PUSH AGAINST NAZIS IN STALINGRAD ZONE

UNITED STATES WARNS FRANCE

Tell People To Leave German Production Centers; Bombings Are Near

LONDON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—The British radio today carried an American warning to the French people to vacate areas producing for Germany or be bombed, while the potency of the flying fortresses was hailed in an explementary way in the House of Commons and with forthright fear in Tokyo.

The Tokyo fears as heard by British listeners in India were expressed by a Japanese naval spokesman who told his people by radio that the United States is building long-range flying fortresses which could spring on Japan from the Aleutians and Midway Island.

He said these great planes would have a range of 10,000 miles, that America was assembling weapons in "astronomical quantity, and that the war is just beginning."

Of the American warning to France, the BBC's French service explained that it had originated in the United States shortwave stations broadcasting as "America calling Europe" and that it had been recorded in London and rebroadcast twice in French and twice in German.

In Washington, Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles said that factories in Germany were legitimate targets for American bombers and that the warning was in line with the United States government's wish to spare innocent Frenchmen.

The warnings of stepped-up American operations came in the wake of another bombing of Germany by the RAF's heavy night bombers, striking at Hitler's strained transport facilities at Osnabruck in the fourth raid on the Reich so far this month.

The subject of American flying fortresses came up in Commons when Air Minister Sir Archibald Sinclair, in giving a clear indication of the great number of planes constantly being thrown at the continent, announced the loss of 1,082 British bombers in the first nine months of this year in the European theater.

The minister was asked why British bomber losses were so high

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FRENCH PEOPLE MAY BACK U. S.

If Recognition Of Vichy Withdrawn Solidarity Is Forecast

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Walter Edge, former ambassador to France, asserted today that withdrawal by the United States of recognition of the Vichy French "puppet" government would solidify 95 percent of the French people behind the United Nations.

Edge, emphasizing in an interview that he was speaking as a private citizen, said it was "unfortunate that the government seems to feel it necessary to continue recognition" of the Vichy regime.

"With interest in this country centered in the Fighting French, he said, "it must be very discouraging to see their overlords recognized by this country."

Edge was ambassador from 1923 to 1933 and returned to France annually after that until the outbreak of war. During the first World War he was governor of New Jersey and was a United States Senator from 1919 to 1923.

"There may be many things that warrant continued recognition that I know nothing about," he said, but he added that only a small per-

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Norwegian Terror Reign Under Nazis Continuing

LONDON, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler's executioners took the lives of 15 more persons today at Trondheim, Norway, the Oslo radio announced, as Nazi administrators bore down with a reign of terror in ruthless determination to mold the country into "new order" sub-servience.

Along with 10 lawyers, editors, a ship owner and other prominent citizens who were executed yesterday, the total thus was brought to 25 as the result of a state of emergency imposed upon Trondheim and a coastal strip of 400 miles.

Two others today were sentenced

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40 German Planes Couldn't Down Him

Lieut. Charles Paine, 27-year-old army flier from Waycross, Ga., brought a U. S. Flying Fortress, battered but intact, back to England after 40 German fighter planes attacked his big ship high over France and inflicted the following damage: Put two motors out of commission, riddled the fortress' rudder, stabilizer and a wing; shot away half of the controls, and smashed the landing gear. One member of the crew was wounded.

ALL POSITIONS HELD

Timoshenko's Relief Drive Rips Into Hundreds Of 'Tank Forts'

CITY BATTLE RAGING

Inside Walls Of Steel Metropolis Russians Hold Against Foe

MOSCOW, Thursday, Oct. 8.—(AP)—The Red Army continued its drive against the German left flank northwest of Stalingrad yesterday and held all positions inside the battle-scarred city against the huge mass of men and tanks the Germans have thrown into the battle, the Soviet midnight communique said today.

Earlier reports said Marshal Timoshenko's relief offensive northwest of Stalingrad had ripped into a line of hundreds of Nazi "tank forts" and overrun a stronghold, wiping out 1,200 Rumanian troops.

The communique's reference to this action said simply that "northwest of Stalingrad our troops have been conducting operations for the improvement of their positions."

Street Battle Continues Inside the rubble-strewn city, the battle raged on fiercely, but the Soviet communique indicated the Red Army had not withdrawn at any point.

"All attacks on enemy tanks and infantry have been repelled with heavy losses," it said. "Our troops are holding their positions."

During this fighting, it was stated officially, the Russians killed about 500 Germans and destroyed 19 tanks.

(In London the British news agency Reuters quoted an Italian radio report as saying Russian forces attacking the German flank above Stalingrad had thrown pontoon bridges across the Don and sent troops to the west bank of that stream.)

In the Mzokda area, in the Caucasus, the Russians retired to new positions at one point after a fierce engagement. At another point, the communique said, 12 German tanks managed to penetrate to the rear of a Soviet detachment, but 11 of the tanks were put out of

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POST-WAR TRIAL MAY FACE HITLER

Roosevelt Declares Those Responsible For War Must Be Punished

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—(AP) A post-war trial of Adolf Hitler for high crimes against humanity was apparently foreshadowed today when President Roosevelt said the terms of United Nations victory would call for punishment "ring-leaders" responsible for "organized murder" and other "atrocities."

Without mentioning Hitler by name, the President disclosed that the United Nations were already moving to set up a commission to gather evidence for use at post-war trials.

Drawing a sharp line between Axis leaders and the people under them, Mr. Roosevelt said in a statement:

"It is not the intention of this government or of the governments associated with us to resort to mass reprisals. It is our intention that just and sure punishment shall be meted out to the ring-leaders responsible for the organized murder of thousands of innocent per-

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