

Probe Of Meat Supply Is Set In Wilmington

City Officials And Others To Make Survey By Questionnaires

SITUATION IS GRAVE Mayor Cameron Declares That Many Families Have Lacked Food

The city, in cooperation with the Greater Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and the Wilmington Star-News, will conduct a survey of the meat supply situation to furnish facts for a joint campaign aimed at securing a more plentiful supply of meat for Wilmington's war workers, military and civilian families.

The survey was planned at a conference Monday between Mayor Bruce B. Cameron, City Manager A. C. Nichols and F. O. Fockler, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Questionnaire Planned Emphasizing the seriousness of the shortage of meat and meat products here, Mayor Cameron, after the conference, called on city government in the campaign by filling out a "meat questionnaire" and mailing it to the Chamber of Commerce as promptly as possible.

"We need facts and figures to fight this thing," he said. "And we will not be able to obtain them unless our citizens cooperate with us."

Mayor Cameron said he believed that many families had been without meat for weeks because of the shortages existing here and because of the tremendous demand.

"And people lucky enough to find meat have to eat it right" (Continued on Page Five; Col. 1)

CITY EMPLOYEES ASK FOR RAISE

Council Hears Formal Plea For Increase In Wage Scale

The formal request for a \$35-a-month raise for all city employees was presented to a special budget committee of the council Monday by representatives of the police, fire, water and sewer and street departments.

The employees were heard by W. Ronald Lane, mayor pro-tem and Robert LeGwin, city treasurer, composing the committee, and City Manager A. C. Nichols. Mayor Bruce B. Cameron was present for a part of the hearing.

In presenting the request for a raise, the employees offered figures on present and past wage scales and cited the increased cost of living here in recent months.

Representatives of the employees after the conference, that a Councilmen Lane and LeGwin had assured them of full consideration when the council adopts next year's budget.

They said, however, that the councilmen would not be able to take up the question of raises until after the council meets with the county commissioners over the requirements for the joint city-county budget around July 15.

In addition to a flat \$35 a month raise, the employees are seeking an additional raise of \$5 a month for each employee who has had five years of service with the city, (Continued on Page Two; Col. 3)

He Surrendered



Waiting to be taken to a prison camp is Italian Admiral Pacesi after he surrendered the island of Pantelleria in the Mediterranean to the British (International)

\$28,000 TO COME INTO CITY FUNDS

Extra Money Results From Payment From U. S. In Lieu Of Taxes

The city will receive \$28,000 more from the Federal government for payments in lieu of 1942 taxes on war housing projects, City Manager A. C. Nichols revealed Monday.

He said that vouchers for the \$28,000 check, the result of recent negotiations on payments from the government in lieu of municipal taxes which cannot be assessed against the government-owned housing projects, had been executed and returned Monday.

The latest payment by the government will make a total of \$38,342 paid to the city in lieu of 1942 taxes, plus a three-month period in 1942, on Lake Forest and Hillcrest War Housing projects, totaling 1,275 units around Greenfield lake.

Previously the government had made payments of \$5,775 and \$4,567 on account. City Clerk J. R. Benson said. He said the entire amount would go in the city's general fund.

Conferences were held recently between representatives of the Federal (Continued on Page Five; Col. 8)

COUNTY WILL BUY LEGION PROPERTY

Meeting Scheduled To Consummate Purchase Of Stadium Land

County commissioners voted Monday to meet with a delegation from Coastal Fairs, Inc. at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning to consummate purchase, by the county, of a 10 1/2 acre tract adjoining Legion stadium.

Closure of the deal has been pending about a year, when Coastal Fairs agreed to sell the tract for \$15,000. An amendment provided the county would grant the American Legion privilege to use part of the land for a trailer camp, on a month to month basis; it further stipulated that the land must be surrendered to the county after 30 days' notice. Commissioners agreed that they would not revoke the privilege so long as proper operation of the camp was noted.

A check for \$15,000 was drawn by the county on June 30, 1942, but Coastal Fairs has not proffered a deed to the property, according to the commissioners. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 8)

Davis R. Post Food Administrator

FDR Told That Program To Combat Inflation Won't Work Now

SUCCESSOR IS NAMED Judge Marvin Jones, Prominent In Farming Circles, Gets Job

WASHINGTON, June 28.—(AP)—Chester C. Davis, the man President Roosevelt drafted three months ago to solve the food problem, stepped out today, telling the president flatly that the program to combat inflation won't work in its present form.

Appointed to succeed Davis as War Food Administrator was Judge Marvin Jones, former House member with an agricultural background. Jones was chairman of the recent international food conference at Hot Springs, Va. Pointed Letters Exchanged

The resignation of Davis, which capped weeks of turbulent debate in Congress and out about the subsidy system, was made public in an exchange of pointed letters between him and President Roosevelt.

In a letter dated June 16, Davis said that while he had responsibility over food, other persons were exercising authority "not only over broad food policy, but day-to-day actions." He also expressed belief that the president's program to use subsidies to hold down food costs to consumers won't be effective unless it is accompanied, as in England, "by current tax and savings programs that drain off excess buying power, and by tight control and management of the food supply."

"Therefore, Davis asked to be relieved as soon as he had launched the 1944 food production program and a broad food educational program, which he estimated would be under way "before the middle of July."

The president, in a letter defending the subsidy program, said "it would be unfair to you to insist that you remain in your position when you feel that, all things considered, you cannot" (Continued on Page Five; Col. 6)

Tentative Dates Set For Market Opening In Tobacco Sections

RALEIGH, June 28.—(P)—Tentative opening dates for the flue-cured tobacco season were agreed upon here today by the recently named committee representing growers, warehousemen, manufacturers and dealers, Governor Broughton said.

The governor wired A. B. Carrington, Jr., of Danville, Va., president of the U. S. Tobacco Association which meets tomorrow and Wednesday in Richmond, asking that he help in getting the dates officially adopted.

The dates, first set at a tobacco marketing meeting of representatives from this state, South Carolina and Virginia here May 18, and agreed upon again today were:

Georgia-Florida belt, July 27; South Carolina-Border belt, August 3; Eastern Carolina belt, August 19; Middle Belt, August 31; Old belt, September 7. It was agreed that the Eastern belt should open earlier than August 19 if conditions permit. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5)

Signals On The Salween Front



Under a cloud-flecked sky, Chinese signalman flags a semaphore message to troops on the Salween river front in southwest China. Signal troops atop mountains can observe Jap positions across the Salween gorge and advise Chinese of enemy movements. (Photo by Frank Cancellare, Acme cameraman, for the War Picture Pool.)

Chennault Says Attacks On Japan Will Increase

AT U. S. 14TH AAF HEADQUARTERS IN CHINA, June 27.—(Delayed)—(P)—The tempo of the war against Japan will be increased "within a reasonable time" in accordance with carefully prepared plans, Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault declared today.

"I anticipate that Japan will receive very heavy blows, if not decisive ones, within a reasonable time," he said. In the first press conference he has granted since his return from the global war conversations in Washington last month Chennault said he was told there that "a considerable percentage of the total United States aerial effort is being devoted constantly to the war in the Pacific."

"I was greatly encouraged by the attitude of the people and authorities back home," he said. "We aren't forgotten men out here by any means." President and military leaders are carefully planning to use American resources and manpower in the true global sense. Due to careful planning and coordination of efforts with our Allies, certain priorities are necessary in the various theaters of combat.

"The war with Japan is certain, receiving the deepest consideration." Chennault would not specify what he meant by a reasonable time, but he said he found that the American people and authorities "are extremely war conscious, exerting tremendous efforts for the production of war materials and manpower for winning the war both in Europe and in the Asiatic theater."

Reviewing American activities on the Chinese front during the past ten days, Chennault, who looked better than he has in months, said the 14th Air Force operations have been seriously hampered by unfavorable weather conditions. He pointed out that the P-40s have been concentrating on freight trains, locomotives, trucks and steamrollers "because that type of equipment is the most difficult for the Japanese to replace."

Puffing happily on his pipe during the conference, Chennault smiled broadly as he told of pamphlets which were dropped by one of 25 Japanese fighter pilots when they attacked Lingling several weeks ago.

The pamphlets said, "our respects to your men who have taken great pains in coming to China. We take pride to say, in fact we" (Continued on Page Five; Col. 4)

Stores Will Observe Fourth Of July With Holiday Over Monday

Wilmington stores will be closed Monday, July 5, John A. Sheehan, secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association, announced Monday.

All down-town stores are expected to observe the holiday. Consumers are urged to make their purchases as soon as possible in anticipation of the closings.

NOTICE!

If your carrier fails to leave your copy of the Wilmington Morning Star, Phone 2-3311 before 9:00 a. m. and one will be sent to you by special messenger.

AMERICAN SUBS SINK EIGHT JAP VESSELS; ST. NAZAIRE BLASTED

BOMB U-BOAT PENS

German Airdrome At Beaumont-Le-Roger Pounded By Raiders

AIR WAR CONTINUING

Mightiest Sky Onslaught Of War Carried Into 11th Day By Allies

LONDON, Tuesday, June 29.—(P)—American Flying Fortresses blasted the U-boat pens at St. Nazaire on the Bay of Biscay coast of France and an enemy airdrome at Beaumont-le-Roger in Normandy late yesterday and then RAF bombers roared across the channel early this morning to carry the mightiest aerial onslaught of the war into its 11th day.

The daylight attacks on two targets described as "important" by the U. S. Army's European theater headquarters followed a forenoon blow at Axis shipping by light bombers of the RAF, which sank two German vessels, forced a third to be beached and inflicted serious damage on three others.

Huge Fires Started

Making their first assault of the war on Beaumont-le-Roger, 30 miles southwest of Rouen, the four-engine heavyweights of the Eighth U. S. Air Force set huge fires on an airfield used by enemy fighter planes. It was the ninth American raid on the submarine lair at St. Nazaire.

The U. S. communique, issued this morning well after midnight, said six bombers failed to return from the double-barreled attack, the third blow at targets within Hitler's continental fortress by American fliers in four days. Returning airmen said the (Continued on Page Eight; Col. 6)

ATHENS AIRPORTS BLASTED BY U. S.

Leaflets From FDR Carrying Hope Of Liberation Also Dropped

CAIRO, June 28.—(P)—In a new and powerful smash at the Axis-held Balkan entryway to the continent of Europe, American Liberator bombers of the Middle East command have cast down uncounted tons of exploding steel on the Athens airdromes of Eleusis and Hassani, breaking through a heavy screen of enemy fighters and coming home without loss.

This raid, carried out yesterday, followed by three days a Liberator blow at the Greek port of Salonika, and it left the two airdromes vastly damaged.

The great bombers carried more than explosives, too—they dropped thousands of Allied leaflets in which President Roosevelt saluted the long and heroic struggle of the Greeks and expressed to them the hope that their liberation was now not far off.

"At Eleusis," said a Ninth U. S. Air Force communique, "direct hits were scored on three large hangars, one of which caught fire while smoke was seen issuing from another. Other bombs burst on an" (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

Boy From Greece



The hardships and sufferings of war are reflected in the face of this Greek refugee boy at camp in Egypt. Homeless Greeks are cared for near Suez Canal, then sent to new homes in Belgian Congo.

OTHER SHIPS HIT

Enemy Destroyer Sent To Bottom Along With Supply Craft

U. S. BOMBERS ACTIVE

13 Battering Attacks Staged By Warplanes On Foe's Bases

WASHINGTON, June 28.—(P)—American submarines, battling to break the Japanese shipping lines in the Pacific, have sunk or damaged nine more vessels supplying the enemy's far flung bases.

In addition, the Navy reported today, an enemy destroyer and a mine layer have been sent to the bottom.

Of the nine supply ships, six were sunk and three damaged by torpedoes and shells. The destroyed ships included one large transport, which may have been carrying troops as well as supplies, three medium-sized cargo vessels, a small cargo vessel and a small schooner. Listed as damaged were a large transport and two more medium sized cargo vessels.

269 Ships Now Destroyed The new attacks raised to 269 the submarines' tally against Japanese craft. Of the total, Navy communique have reported 190 sunk, 29 probably sunk and 50 damaged.

The Navy gave no indication of when or where the attacks occurred except that they were carried out by submarines patrolling in "Pacific and Far East" waters. This is in line with the Navy's policy of disclosing no information beyond the type of vessel sunk. However, in announcements of decorations of submarine officers for previous forays against enemy shipping it has been disclosed that submarines have operated within view of the Japanese shore line.

A sharp step-up in bombing raids throughout the Pacific sent American bombers roaring at Japanese bases in 13 battering attacks on Saturday, starting fires in camp areas and damaging airfields and anti-aircraft emplacements.

The brunt of the assault, the Navy reported, was borne by Kiska, last foothold of the Japanese in the Aleutians, where heavy and medium bombers struck seven times in a single day. In the South Pacific, much-bombed Munda on New Georgia island was attacked twice while other bombers blasted Kahili, Rekata bay, Ballale island and Vila, all in the Solomon islands area.

Bombs pounded down through the clouds and fog over Kiska to blast anti-aircraft emplacements, tear holes in the Japanese airfield runway and set eight fires roaring in the camp area.

Seven times Liberator heavy bombers and Mitchell and Ventura medium bombers swung over the base at the foot of rocky hills on the shore of the North Pacific island. Lightning and Warhawk fighters joined in the raids, strafing the camp area and the gun positions dug into the rocks.

The heavy series of raids in a single day boosted to 16 the number of times bombers and fighters have sped out from American bases in the Aleutians to attack Kiska in three consecutive days (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

FOE SAYS ATTACK COMING SATURDAY

German Radio Broadcasts Idea That Invasion Set For July 3

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The Germans reached into their propaganda bag yesterday (Monday) and set a new date—Saturday, July 3—for the anticipated Allied onslaught against the Axis.

This new edition of invasion clairvoyance was broadcast by the German radio and attributed to London reports reaching Stockholm, but there was no elaboration concerning the point or points at which the Germans expected the blow. The broadcast was recorded by the Associated Press.

Earlier this month the Nazis set June 22 for the Allied attack. The Axis in the past has issued statements on dates when they expected Allied action in the hope of eliciting information.

The Saturday deadline for invasion was described in the German reports as closely connected with two alleged facts: (1) the failure of the June 22 invasion to materialize had disappointed the British, and (2) Soviet Premier Stalin's recent expressed desire for an early second front.

In the latter connection, the German report asserted that the July 3 invasion date "now propagated in London is primarily intended to calm the impatient Kremlin."

Berlin said that the report of (Continued on Page Eight; Col. 2)

Broughton Confers With OPA Head On Ice Situation Here

RALEIGH, June 28.—(P)—Governor Broughton said today that he conferred with State OPA Director T. S. Johnson concerning the "critical" ice shortage in Wilmington and that Johnson had assured him "everything possible" would be done to alleviate the situation.

The governor said that ice-producing facilities in the coastal city are not sufficient to fill the demands created by the increased population. (Continued on Page Two; Col. 2)

Roosevelt Approves Eisenhower's Plan For Handling French Situation

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON WASHINGTON, June 28.—(P)—President Roosevelt set the stamp of his personal approval today on General Dwight D. Eisenhower's handling of the problems stemming out of French wrangling in North Africa by permitting an announcement that he had invited General Henri Giraud to visit Washington when his military responsibilities permit.

In effect, also, the president's action tended promptly to confirm the authoritative summarization of American and Allied policy toward French factions in Africa outlined in Associated Press dispatches from Wash-

ington yesterday and today. The invitation to General Giraud appears a definite new American rebuff for General Charles de Gaulle, Giraud's aggressive rival for French military supremacy in the African operations theatre.

The invitation was transmitted and Giraud's acceptance received through military, not diplomatic channels, a month ago. No date for the Giraud visit to Washington has been announced.

It is indicated, however, that the French leader will not leave his post while Allied invasion operations based on French Africa are pending or in progress. His presence and cooperation under

General Eisenhower in carrying out plans for aggressive military action against the Axis in continental Europe or its island outposts is deemed essential to success by the Allied commander and the Anglo-American high command here and in London.

That was revealed when General Eisenhower informed the French Committee for National Liberation at Algiers that he could not permit it to interfere with General Giraud's absolute command of French army, navy and air forces in north and west Africa, or tolerate attempts to

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Coal Mine Walkouts Appear Waning As Workers Slowly Return To Pits

PITTSBURGH, June 28.—(P)—The big coal strike appeared to be waning very slowly tonight with more workers trooping back to the pits during the day but other thousands of "no contract, no work" adherents still holding out, particularly in the vast Pennsylvania mining region.

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tion to western Pennsylvania, but slightly fewer were on the job in West Virginia and Indiana. Operations were reported at 90 per cent in West Virginia, which has 130,000 coal miners. Vice President William Blizard of UMW District 1, who spoke at big West Virginia rallies Sunday, urging the men to work for the government, commented that the strikes there are pretty well cleaned up.

Alabama production was off with operators reporting that things looked "worse than Saturday" when only 3,000 of the state's 24,000 UMW miners worked. UMW (Continued on Page Five; Col. 6)

WEATHER

NORTH CAROLINA: Little change in temperature.

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

1:30 a. m., 78; 7:30 a. m., 81; 1:30 p. m., 84; 7:30 p. m., 80. Maximum 84; minimum 73; mean 78; normal 78.

1:30 a. m., 85; 7:30 a. m., 75; 1:30 p. m., 64; 7:30 p. m., 79.

Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., 0.00 inches.

Total since the first of the month, 3.27 inches.

Tides For Today

Wilmington High 7:50 Low 2:10
Masonboro Inlet High 5:14 Low 11:18
Moore's Inlet High 5:49 Low 11:23
New Topsail Inlet High 5:24 Low 11:28
(All times Eastern Standard)