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## Establishment Of Air Route Into Wilmington Is Further Delayed At CAB Conference

### SERVICE DENIED

Study Of Latin-American Trade Wanted By Government Authorities

### FDR SUPPORTS MOTION

Board Orders Eastern Airlines To Stop At Columbia Airport

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Because government air transportation authorities assertedly believe additional study of the possibilities for future commercial air service between the Americas is necessary, action on the long-standing plea of Atlantic coastal cities, including Wilmington, for air transportation must be further delayed.

This, in effect, sums up the decision of the Civil Aeronautics Board, announced today, concerning the application of five contending carriers to serve an extension to run southward from New York with stops at Wilmington and other centers on the coast having a "community of interest."

Large Area Affected

It means that the Virginia-North Carolina tide water area and the South Carolina-Georgia low country, heavily congested because of enormous military and naval activity, must still be denied, for the time being at least, an inter-connecting air service which military and naval authorities agree would make for greater efficiency in war traffic between the affected cities.

Supported by a letter from President Roosevelt, in which he assumed the position that the application of Colonial Airlines for service from New York, along the Atlantic Coast, to Nassau is "inter-related" with the future of service to South America, the CAB decision set forth that a "long-range approach" to the development "necessitates" the deferment.

The board did order Eastern Airlines to stop at Columbia as an intermediate point between Charlotte and Atlanta on the line's so-called Route 6, a step urged by South Carolina's Senator Burnett Maybank to provide north-south service to Columbia, because of military activity at Fort Jackson.

The decision also provided for an Eastern stop at Raleigh at the line's Route 5, between Richmond and Charlotte.

But Colonial National, Pennsylvania-Central, Eastern and Seaboard, all vying for the controversial route proposed to extend from New York through Atlantic City, Norfolk, Elizabeth City, Newbern, Wilmington, Georgetown, Myrtle Beach, Charleston, Savannah and Florida cities, must await "such time as the proper air service pattern" for air transportation to Latin America is worked out.

President Roosevelt's letter, returning the board's "proposed decision" (believed to have favored Colonial's New York-Wilmington-Nassau route) without either approving or disapproving it, follows in part:

"I have read with interest, the proposal of the Civil Aeronautics Board with regard to additional services along the Atlantic Seaboard and to Nassau. I have also considered your request to restore to your active calendar applications for authorization to engage in foreign air transportation to the Caribbean area and Latin America. I am deeply interested in both

## FDR Reported Opposing Deferment Of Fathers

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt was reported authoritatively tonight to be ready to oppose a pending move in Congress to prevent the draft of pre-Pearl Harbor fathers.

Informed Congressional sources said he would make his position clear in a message to the House and Senate Friday outlining the progress of the war.

Mr. Roosevelt's plan to send a war report to Capitol Hill was disclosed by his legislative chiefs after a White House conference during which he told him many returning members are seriously disturbed over the plan to induct fathers after October 1.

Simultaneously, it was disclosed by the same Congressional sources that the chief executive's message would be the first of a series of executive communications to Congress.

Others will deal with such subjects as benefits and rehabilitation for war veterans, the problems of giving soldiers an opportunity to vote in the

next elections, and, later, taxes.

Whether President Roosevelt will include in his message Friday a recommendation for national service legislation remained uncertain, although some Congressional sources predicted he would follow that course.

The Congressional leaders conferred with the president shortly after a White House tax conference attended by the Administration's economic and revenue chiefs, among them Treasury Secretary Morgenthau, War Mobilization Director James F. Byrnes and Fred M. Vinson, director of economic stabilization.

While there was no official disclosure of what was said at that conference, it was learned that the Administration probably will not submit a program for raising additional revenue until after the current war loan drive has been concluded.

While the president has urged that Congress find \$12,000,000

## CAMERON FAVORS CITY EXTENSION

### Mayor Tells Rotarians He Is Behind Enlargement Of Wilmington

Mayor Bruce B. Cameron told members of the Rotary club Tuesday that he was solidly behind the move to extend Wilmington's city limits.

"When the issue was being considered early this year, I was not strongly in favor of extension. Now that I have been given the opportunity to watch the operations of our government, I have concluded that the extension is necessary to the proper growth and development of our city," Mayor Cameron declared.

"The city government gets more criticism from the people who live outside than from those within. The situation ought to be corrected. Many of those persons ought to be allowed to become citizens of Wilmington so they can help furnish the leadership, the interest, and the money that is needed to

## Close Adviser To FDR Quits Legal Duties To Give Nation Full Time

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Judge Samuel I. Rosenman, long one of President Roosevelt's closest advisers, is quitting the bench to devote full time to the job.

The president announced at his press conference today that the man credited with originating many of the New Deal government reorganization moves is leaving the New York state supreme court to become his special counsel.

The move brings Rosenman back to the same official relationship to Mr. Roosevelt which he held when the latter was governor of New York—legal assistant.

Operating mostly in private, Rosenman has been a major factor in Roosevelt councils even while he occupied the bench. He has divided time between New York and the White House.

Now 47, Rosenman has been closely associated with Mr. Roosevelt since 1928.

The Office of War Mobilization, which is in effect a home front war cabinet headed by James F. Byrnes, is understood to have been Rosenman's idea, and also the Office of War Information, headed by Elmer Davis.

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## War Bond Drive Pushing Toward Quota

The Third War Loan drive is pacing in the direction of the \$6,000,000 goal set for New Hanover county, War Finance committee members reported Tuesday night.

E. A. Laney, co-chairman of the campaign, said that statistics on results thus far had not yet been prepared, but indicated that all sources were experiencing little difficulty in selling War Bonds to Wilmingtonians.

Although a number of large orders for the special Treasury bonds have already been taken, the certificates will not be issued until today, September 15. The Treasury bonds bring seven-eighths per cent, two per cent, and two and a half per cent interest.

"We are expecting a pick-up in the sale of Treasury notes on Wednesday and thereafter," Mr. Laney commented. Orders may be placed at local banks and other issuing agents.

Mrs. Berenice Stellings, chairman of the Women's division of the War Finance committee, reported that two Bond booths, one at headquarters in the Tide Water Power company lobby, and the other in Belk-Williams department store, had collected \$12,728.70 on bonds during the past two days.

The Belk-Williams booth, which is being operated by members of the Order of the Eastern Star, has taken in \$9,148.70, some of the money realized from uptown solic-

itations, the remainder representing the purchases of the shopping public.

Part of the \$3,580 reported by the Tide Water booth, operated this week by the Ministering Circle, represents results from the house-to-house canvass being made by volunteers and members of the New Hanover County Citizens Service Corps; the remainder was realized from uptown collections.

"There is no complete report on the door-knocker campaign to date. But our women are busy at their job," Mrs. Stellings said.

Mrs. Stellings has as her co-

## Foe Admits Evacuation Of Bryansk

LONDON, Sept. 14.—(AP)—The Germans announced today that their troops had abandoned the key rail city of Bryansk in the face of the mighty Russian offensive but the midnight Soviet communique did not claim its capture and a Reuters dispatch from Moscow declared fighting still was raging in the streets of the city.

The Reuters dispatch said Red Army forces were storming the bastion while the Nazis fought to gain time while their torch squads attempted to fire or blow up everything that could not be moved.

## Russians Using Nazi News

Frequently since their forces began smashing the Germans back across the Ukraine, routing Hitler's armies out of one stronghold after another, the Russians have permitted their retreating enemies first to announce "strategic" withdrawals before themselves proclaiming a Soviet victory, frequently in a special order of the day by Premier Marshal Joseph Stalin.

In its only mention of the Bryansk sector, tonight's Russian war bulletin said merely that Red army troops in that area "fought offensive engagements and captured several populated places."

The Soviet communique, however, told of consistent gains along the entire fighting front of up to 15 miles and claimed the capture of more than 50 more towns, villages and rail centers as the onrushing Russian armies "continued successfully to develop their offensive."

A gain of from 12 to 15 miles was claimed west of Stalino, where more than 150 inhabited places, including eight large towns, fell to the Soviet advance. Smaller progress was claimed along the shores of the Sea of Azov, with the capture of the district center of Mangush, 12 miles west of Mariupol, and in the Kharkov and Nezhin sectors where Russian columns were lancing deep into the rich Ukraine. In Monday's fighting the Russians claimed destruction of 92 German tanks and 13 enemy planes.

Although the Soviets did not claim the capture of Bryansk, today's German broadcast told with great detail of the Nazis' withdrawal from the ancient fortress city. The Germans declared they had evacuated the city in good order after stripping it of military stores and installations.

The capture of Bryansk would be the greatest Russian victory since Kharkov fell August 2. There seemed little doubt that the Russians soon would be back in the city, perhaps by dawn. The Soviet command might have withheld announcement of the city's fall to avoid the risk of a premature claim of victory until the Germans were hurled back from positions where they might be poised for a counterattack.

Bryansk is the hinge of the whole German front, and its fall would give the Red army a strong base from which to close the trap on Smolensk from the south or to broaden their attack upon the weak middle Dnieper defenses upriver from Kiev.

"The city of Bryansk, which first became known in this war by the great twin battle of Vyazma and Bryansk in the autumn of 1941, in the course of which German troops surrounded and captured several Soviet armies with their entire material, was evacuated by the Germans during Monday night," the broadcast said.

## 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., 62; 7:30 a. m., 61; 1:30 p. m., 80; 7:30 p. m., 74  
Maximum 81; minimum 61; mean 71; normal 73.

HUMIDITY  
1:30 a. m., 80; 7:30 a. m., 88; 1:30 p. m., 55; 7:30 p. m., 62

PRECIPITATION  
Total for the 24 hours ending 7:30 p. m., 0.00 inches.  
Total since the first of the month, 0.93 inches.

TIDES FOR TODAY  
Wilmington 11:04p. 5:18a.  
Masonboro Inlet 8:22a. 2:14a.  
Moore's Inlet 8:51p. 2:35p.  
New Topsail Inlet 8:56p. 2:40p.  
(Elmore's) 9:01p. 2:45p.  
Sunrise, 5:35 a. m.; Sunset 6:19 p. m.; Moonrise, 7:42 p. m.; Moonset, 7:23 a. m. Cape Fear river stage at Fayetteville on Tuesday at 8 a. m., 9.95 feet.

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# Americans And British Fighting Hand-To-Hand With Nazis At Salerno

### Leaders Discuss Italian Fleet Surrender



Standing on the bridge of an Allied destroyer, Admiral Sir Andrew Browne Cunningham, Allied naval commander, and Gen Dwight Eisenhower discuss the surrender of the Italian fleet. They are observing Italian warships in the Mediterranean sailing to Allied ports after their dramatic escape from the Nazis. This is an official U. S. Army Signal Corps Radiophoto. (International Soundphoto.)

## Bulk Of Japs Routed At Salamaua Exterminated By Allied Fighters

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Wednesday, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The bulk of the Japanese garrison routed from the air and shipping base of Salamaua, New Guinea, has been destroyed and the small scattered groups which got away into the jungles face certain annihilation, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced today.

Another triumph of even greater proportions seemed in the making at Lae, 18 miles

## 3 U. S. VESSELS ANNOUNCED LOST

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—(AP)—Three United States vessels—a submarine and two submarine chasers—have gone down in action against the enemy, the Navy reported today, bringing to 114 the number of the craft lost since the war started.

Only the meager statement that the Greenadier "has failed to return from patrol operations and must be presumed to be lost" was made by the Navy in announcing the 12th submarine loss of the war.

The Grenadier, commanded by Lieutenant Commander John A. Fitzgerald, presumably was one of the many submarines which have been shattering supply lines to the widespread Japanese bases in the Pacific.

## IL DUCE HEADS PUPPET REGIME

LONDON, Sept. 14.—(AP)—Berlin announced today that Benito Mussolini had taken control of the new puppet Fascist national regime—then turned out another chapter in the confusing stream of narrations on the recent adventures of the No. 1 Fascist.

In announcing Mussolini's new role, the Nazis said he had sought to cancel Italy's surrender to the Allies, and had decreed an end to the rule of the House of Savoy.

(A diplomat in Bern said it was expected that Mussolini's declaration rejecting the House of Savoy and formally announcing his new regime would be issued within two days.)

The addition to the story of Mussolini's activities since his deposition came via the Berlin radio when it told the world that Mussolini had been held on a 9,500-foot plateau in the mountainous Abruzzi e Molise department east of Rome.

One third of the German soldiers employed in releasing him "fell into an abyss and have not been seen since," it was reported. "How many are still living is not known at the present."

This narration, recorded by the Associated Press, topped a long series of almost unconnected tales concerning withdrawal of the ponderous-jawed Mussolini from Italian custody to the protective wing of Adolf Hitler.

## Allied Air Campaign Against Nazis Again Gathering Momentum

LONDON, Sept. 14.—(AP)—The Allied air campaign against the continent from Britain gathered momentum again today with attacks for the second day in a row by squadrons of Typhoon fighter-bombers on shipping off Holland and a foray across the English channel at dusk by medium bombers.

In a Typhoon attack, a New Zealand squadron roared in at sea level in the face of heavy anti-aircraft fire from the shore and ships to attack a small enemy convoy off Cherbourg. They set afire a tug which was left sinking as was a 1,000-ton naval auxiliary vessel. Two small escort vessels were damaged.

Two coastal vessels and a harbor launch were set afire and sunk in a sweep among the islands off the Dutch coast by another squadron which also damaged three large barges and a tug.

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## IS BLOODY FIGHT

### Kesselring's Men Trying Hard To Drive Allies Into Sea

## MEDITERRANEAN ALIVE

### Warships Pumping Shells Into German Positions; Men Landed

A L L I E D HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, Sept. 14.—(AP)—American and British troops fought hand to hand tonight with elements of three crack German divisions on the Salerno bridgehead as Field Marshal Albert Kesselring made a supreme effort to drive the Fifth Army into the sea.

During the day and into the night Allied warships poured out everything from machine-gun bullets to shell fire to help protect the narrow beachhead extending 24 miles south of Salerno and the entire Fifth Army was engaged in a grim battle.

The Mediterranean was alive with ships and planes as the Allies poured reserves into the Italian fighting under the direct supervision of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, the tank commander of the Fifth Army, and his staff were in the thick of the fray.

Composition of Army

(A German radio broadcast recorded in London by the British Ministry of Information said Clark's army was made up of the 36th and 45th U. S. Infantry divisions and the First U. S. Tank division; the 46th and 56th British Infantry divisions and a British Tank division, Canadian elements—presumably of one of the British divisions—were reported "on the northern flank of the Allied bridgehead.")

One hundred miles to the south the methodical Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery pushed his Eighth Army with greater speed, passing Cosenza in a drive to effect a junction with Clark and take some of the tremendous pressure off the Fifth Army. Bari as well as Cosenza had fallen.

The Allied communique said: "Heavy fighting continues on the Fifth Army front. The Germans are counter-attacking desperately and at certain points have regained some of the ground previously taken by us."

The extreme depth of the beachheads was six or seven miles at some places. The Mediterranean was alive with ships landing men and materiel and pumping deadly salvos into the enemy. The city of Salerno (pop. 77,000) remained in Allied hands.

The air was streaked with incessant dogfights as the Germans hurled more and more fighter-bombers into the battle. Allied planes, 150 miles from their nearest usable landing field, bombed roads and railways leading to Salerno, striving mightily to delay or prevent German reinforcements.

(A German broadcast declared Nazi tank formations had swept from the mountain heights before Salerno onto the coastal plains and were "engaged in breaking enemy resistance on the coasts of the sea.") The enemy broadcast claimed that strong Allied detachments

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## Half Of Tickets Sold For Army Show

On the opening day of the ticket sales to the motion picture, "This is the Army," to be shown here September 22 in the interest of the Army Emergency Relief, approximately half the number of tickets were placed, Robert Dannenbaum, publicity chairman for the event, announced Tuesday night.

Mr. Dannenbaum disclosed that many of the tickets to the Bailey theater show were sold for top prices.

Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, commander of the Anti-Aircraft Artillery school at Camp Davis, will be heard over Station WMFD Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock in

further advertisement of the Relief show.

Gen. Milburn will explain to Wilmingtonians the workings of the Army Emergency Relief, which has as its mission the assistance of soldiers and their families in times of stress.

Col. Adam E. Potts, Camp Davis post commander, will be heard on the radio at the same hour Friday night.

Mr. Dannenbaum said that women who attend the Wilmington premiere of "This is the Army," plan to wear evening attire, heightening the importance of the occasion.

Military equipment in front of the post office will continue to call attention to the forthcoming at-

traction. The Junior Sorosis club has opened a booth for the sale of tickets in the post office lobby.

Boy Scouts placed posters concerning the motion picture in the windows of business establishments Tuesday afternoon.

A military parade here at 2:15 o'clock Tuesday afternoon started the promotional campaign.

A composite battalion of anti-aircraft artillery troops, made up of the 50th AA Brigade, under the command of Brig. Gen. Clare H. Armstrong, paraded the streets, heralding the opening of Wollywood's famed GI production.

It was completed at the door-

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