

ROTARIANS HEAR CHIEF OF POLICE

Operations of the Wilmington Police Department were discussed by Chief of Police C. H. Casten at the regular meeting of the Rotary club at 1 p.m. yesterday at the Friendly Cafeteria, in connection with a series of programs on City Government.

Introduced by City Manager A. C. Nichols, program chairman for April, the speaker entertained Rotarians and guests with stories of amusing and exciting experiences during his 23 years with the department.

The new methods now used in police work are making it more of a profession. Chief Casten declared, saying that members of the department are being sent to police schools at Chapel Hill.

In connection with the present police system, the chief was especially enthusiastic over the two-way radio communications with which local patrol cars are equipped, and cited cases where officers had been on the scene of a crime within one and one-half to two minutes after the call was received at headquarters.

"The Police Department is a servant of the public and we're here to serve them night or day. If trouble should break out we feel that our department is equipped to cope with it," he declared.

He emphasized that a courteous, neat-looking policeman is the best advertisement a town can have. Above all, he continued, a policeman must be "alert and on the job" because many incidents require snap judgment.

President Gus Grist presided and Sergeant-at-Arms Jack Carson called on members to introduce their guests. John Caskie, Mark C. Pope of Atlanta, and T. S. Kelly Jewel.

Bill Lassiter and Robert Strickland, junior Rotarians for April, expressed their enjoyment of the programs and association with the members and complimented the club on its high ideals.

Rabbi M. M. Thurman, program chairman for May, announced that a former member of the Vienna State Opera and the San Francisco Opera would sing at the next meeting and a chaplain from Camp Davis would speak.

MYRTLE BEACH, S. C., April 24.—(P)—The Federal Government has released a portion of the Myrtle Beach State Park, taken over by the Army shortly after the war began, to the State, it has been announced by L. P. Labrusse, park superintendent.

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Bill Extending Draft Law Coming Year Is Passed By Senate

WASHINGTON, April 24.—(P)—A bill extending the draft law for a year but banning the use of 18-year-old draftees in combat without six months training was passed today by the Senate.

The measure, approved on a voice vote, now goes to the House for action on amendments.

The amendment relating to 18-year-olds was passed, 50 to 25, over the objections of the high command. Twenty-three Democrats and Republicans and Senator La Follette (Prog-Wis.) voted for it. Against were 19 Democrats and six Republicans.

Another amendment offered by Senator Brewster (R-Me.), to prohibit the drafting of men over 31 after May 1, was rejected 57 to 11.

The current Selective Service law expires May 15. The legislation extends it for one year beyond that date or until the end of the global war, whichever is sooner.

ALLIES SWEEPING NEARER AUSTRIA

(Continued from Page One) to Rechberg, 12 miles northwest of the city, and to the vicinity of Etzenburg, eight miles to the west.

The 11th Armored division raced eastward for a 23-mile gain and reached the vicinity of Arnsriedt, 40 miles east of Regensburg and 11 miles north of the Danube. It was there that Patton's fighters were within 35 miles of Austria and about 93 miles due north of Hitler's Berchtesgaden hideout.

The Seventh Army's 44th division slashed across the Danube at Ehingen just southwest of Ulm after capturing that city of 60,000 with the assistance of French forces. The 12th Armored Division expanded its bridgehead across the Danube near Dillingen, 50 miles northwest of Munich, to 10 miles wide and six deep and began probing into the foothills of the Alps.

Fanning out along the north bank of the Danube, the 10th Armored division reached Erbach, six miles southwest of Ulm. Polingen, 36 miles north of Augsburg was captured by the 42nd Infantry division in a 10-mile thrust.

Twenty American and French infantry divisions and eight armored divisions were participating in the mighty offensive to crush the enemy's vaunted southern redoubt. Munich, birthplace of the Nazi party and possible site of its ultimate destruction, was being caught in a mammoth nutcracker by more than 375,000 Allied fighting men.

By-passed enemy pockets north of Ulm and south of Stuttgart were being compressed by Seventh Army troops. Southeast of Stuttgart they captured a V-bomb plant covering 80 acres which had operated up to last Friday with 2,500 slave laborers.

French forces, driving east well beyond their Danube crossing at Sigmaringen and 20 miles beyond their last reported positions in the area between the Danube and Lake Constance, captured Baltringer and Ochsenhausen, 15 to 22 miles south of Ulm. Other French units pushed five miles south to Bellingen and Liel, within 10 miles of Basel, Switzerland.

(The Swiss radio reported that German refugees were streaming across the border into that neutral country and that French troops were advancing close to Friedrichshafen, home of the Zeppelins, which was said to be in flames.)

A front dispatch from Howard Cowan of the Associated Press said both the French and Americans were knifing forward almost at will and cutting off huge pockets of Germans both north and south of the Danube in the area west of Ulm. The Seventh Army captured two German generals.

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BRITISH FAVOR RED VOTE PLAN

(Continued from Page One) sible for initiating studies and making recommendations with respect to the development and revision of the rules and principles of international law.

"The economic and social council should specifically provide for the promotion of educational and other forms of cultural cooperation."

The exact language of the "justice" proposal:

"The charter should provide specifically that adjustment or settlement of international disputes should be achieved with due regard for the principles of justice and international law."

Stettinius' news conference did little either to increase or dispel a general tone of confidence and determination that big and small nations alike "must not and will not fail" in their task of erecting a world peace structure.

American delegates showed no disposition of alarm at Russia's request for three votes — although the unspoken wish was that it be withdrawn in the interests of harmony. Nor did they seem disturbed any more than they have been in the past that the British Commonwealth has a combined power of six votes in the assembly.

The United States view on that point is that the Commonwealth nations are by function independent, and that they are not to be expected to vote as a bloc.

The main importance of the assembly votes is that they help determine the biennial changes of membership of smaller nations on the powerful security council which is the heart of the proposed world organization.

Delegates arrived throughout the day. Tonight the roster of representatives of 46 nations, pledged to produce a plan for peace, was almost complete.

Late tomorrow afternoon Secretary of State Stettinius will call them to order in San Francisco's magnificent Opera House, open the conference formally, and introduce President Truman, speaking by radio from Washington.

Chairman of the American delegation and temporary chairman of the conference itself, Stettinius stepped down from a glistening transport plane this morning. He said:

"I come to San Francisco with the firm belief that the United Nations are united in their determination to succeed in establishing a world organization.

"I say this with no wish to minimize the difficulties that we must meet both at this conference and afterwards. I say it because I believe all the peaceful peoples of the world demand this of us and the governments represented at this conference must not and will not fail them."

19 Are Named Citizens In Federal Courtroom

Nineteen people from this area became citizens of the United States yesterday in Federal court.

Those naturalized were Jacoba Christina Buck, Nicholas Apolitos Sorokos, Elizabeth Catherine Mayer, Frances Jean Hamilton Walker, Konstantyn Chodoba, Sotirios Hristou Giannakopoulos, George Nicholas Arton, John Nicholas Connis, Gus Giornas, John Lewis, Hans Anderson, Amelia Kalivoda, John Peters, Agnes O'Crowley, Theodore George Zefezellis, Julia Pauline Neil, Maria George Pistolis, Prodromos Kouloulias and Albert Nicholas Hatem.

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Bond-Jumper Returned To New Hanover Jail

A Negro, who skipped a \$500 bond while awaiting trial last fall in Superior court on charges of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, was back here from New Hanover county jail yesterday.

Deputy Sheriff Charles Snow announced that he had brought John Robert Johnson back here from New York City, where he had been held for local authorities. Johnson allegedly inflicted serious injuries on another Negro, Alexander Hill, October 13, 1944, he is expected to stand trial at the next criminal term of Superior court.

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