

ASTRONOMERS IN CANADA VIEW TOTAL ECLIPSE

WOLSELEY, Sask., July 9.—(P)—For a brief 4 seconds the moon blotted out the sun here today, and in so doing fulfilled the hopes of astronomers who had feared previously that an overcast sky might prevent them from recording the eclipse.

GUARD

commander, Lt. Albert I. Cornell. In New Orleans, Bertucci's widowed mother said an army officer who notified her of the incident expressed the opinion the soldier had gone "berserk."

"Something must have happened to him," said Mrs. Mary Bertucci, adding that she could not understand her son's action.

A board of inquiry interviewed Bertucci, officers and men at the camp and the prisoners. Bertucci's story, however, was not disclosed and Ericsson said it and other testimony would be handed in to the security and intelligence officer at ninth service command headquarters at Fort Douglas, Utah.

ERICSSON VERSION Ericsson said a spokesman for the Germans, First Sgt. Hans Fertig, testified at the inquiry that he had never heard threats exchanged between guards and prisoners but said that the presence of machine guns on the towers made prisoners fear just such an incident as occurred.

Bodies of the prisoners were taken to Bushnell General Hospital at Brigham, Utah, and the wounded were taken there and to the station hospital at Kearns overseas replacement depot near Salt Lake City. Condition of eight was said to be serious.

at Washington, the war department said Bertucci's service record showed two courts martial. The first was a summary court martial in January, 1944, while he was stationed in England on a charge that he "left his proper station" and he was restricted to the company area for two months as a penalty.

In January of this year he was given a special court martial for failure to do guard duty at Camp McLean, Texas, and was sentenced to three months confinement at hard labor.

CHINESE Starts On Page One launched their attack from Amoy, crossed the Hsiamen river estuary and landed on the Fukien coast about six miles south of the seaport on June 30.

For almost 400 miles to the northeast, the "invasion" coast of China—where the Japanese have said they fear American landings—was clear of enemy forces as the result of Chinese actions and enemy withdrawals.

REVIVAL ON THIS WEEK AT KADESH CHURCH, OTHER BELWOOD NEWS

BELWOOD—Revival services will be held at Kadesh church this week. Rev. J. S. Gibbs of Shelby will assist Rev. J. M. Morgan.

Miss Hazel Brockman of Greenville, S. C., a school mate of Mrs. Foster Powell, spent last week with her.

Miss Olivia Peeler of Shelby spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle Peeler. Misses Olivia and Vivian Peeler left Saturday for Myrtle Beach to spend this week with friends there.

The Belwood Home Demonstration club met at the club room on Friday afternoon. Mrs. Lloyd Boggs conducted the devotional. Miss LaUna Brashers gave a helpful talk on "Personal Care and Appearance." At close of meeting the hostesses Mrs. C. G. Boyles and Mrs. O. S. Long, served drinks ice cream and cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Dixon and son, Paul and Jo Ellen Lutz, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. William Dixon and children, Barbara and Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dixon and Catherine spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Boggs and family near Statesville.

Pvt. Ralph Dixon of Camp Croft spent the week end with his wife and parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Spurling spent Sunday with Mrs. W. M. Boggs and family at Olin, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Boggs spent Wednesday at Bridgewater.

TO COLUMBIA Mr. S. A. Peeler spent a few days with his son, Thomas Peeler and Mrs. Peeler in Columbia, S. C. Thomas accompanied Mrs. Peeler home and remained for a few days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ivester of Morganton are spending a few days with Mrs. Ivester's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brackett and other relatives.

Miss Margaret Ruth Peeler, who was recently graduated from nurses school in Philadelphia, Pa., arrived last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Peeler.

Mrs. B. P. Peeler, sr., entered the Shelby hospital Tuesday for treatment and an operation.

Miss Catherine Stamey of Cherryville is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stamey. Miss Betty Stamey of Charlotte spent the week end with them.

Pvt. and Mrs. B. P. Peeler, jr., arrived yesterday from Fort Knox, Ky. Mrs. Peeler has been visiting her husband for several weeks there, and he is home on 10-day furlough now. Mrs. Peeler will remain here where she will teach in Belwood school.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Morgan of Palston were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Peeler, S. I. C. Bill Peeler of Mobile, Ala., also spent Sunday with them.

Pfe. Flay Harmon of Pennsylvania and Mrs. Flay Harmon and Miss Clara Brackett of Charlotte spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. J. W. Brackett.

VISITORS Mr. and Mrs. Evans Grigg and children of the Sharon community visited Mrs. Grigg's mother, Mrs. Ada Gold Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Overcash of Shelby visited Mrs. Overcash's aunt, Mrs. Latham Wilson and Mr. Wilson Saturday.

Clarence Tillman and son, Don, of Detroit, Mich., Cpl. and Mrs. Hal Bess of Miami, Fla., Mrs. Pete Bess and daughter of Flay, Mrs. Hal Bess of near Lincoln and Mrs. Blaine Tillman and Joyce were Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Tillman. Miss Gertie Tillman left Thursday with her brother, Clarence, of Detroit, Mich., to spend some time.

Bill Powell of Wake Forest, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Powell. Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Forrest Edwards Peeler of Charleston, S. C.,

arrived Sunday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Peeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMurry, jr., of Lynchburg, Va., spent last week with C. K. McMurry and family and Mrs. Bessie Dellinger. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Huss and Helen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Huss at Rutherford college.

State Guard Goes To Bragg Friday

Members of Shelby's Company 30 N. C. State Guard will leave for Fort Bragg Friday morning instead of Thursday as previously announced.

The guard will hold its regular drill tonight at the armory.

STETTINIUS

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posed world security council, defended the voting procedure under which the United States, Great Britain, Russia, France and China—plus two small nation members—must approve before the council can take positive action to settle international disputes.

"These nations possess most of the military and industrial resources of the world," he asserted. "They will have to bear the principle responsibility for maintaining peace in the foreseeable future. The provisions of membership recognize this inescapable fact."

ACT TOGETHER he submitted these five nations, possessing most of the world's power to break or preserve peace, must agree and act together if peace is to be maintained, just as they have had to agree and act together in order to make possible a United Nations victory in this war.

But Stettinius added that the security council, with all of its authority to use military force to prevent war, could not insure the peace "if men and women have no security in their homes and in their jobs."

He said the economic and social council proposed under the new league has power to study, report and recommend action toward "translating humanitarian aspirations into human gains."

"In the next ten or fifteen years," he continued, "the work of the economic and social council and its related agencies in helping to restore a shattered world and to achieve better living conditions for all people will be of paramount importance."

"If the United Nations cooperate effectively toward these ends, they will have gone far toward eliminating in advance the causes of another world war a generation hence. If they fail, there will be instead widespread depressions and economic warfare which would fatally undermine the world organization."

EXPLAINS CHARTER Explaining the charter in some detail, Stettinius said he did not consider it "a perfect instrument."

He felt, he said, that as time goes on Democratic principles and techniques will gain headway in the international field.

Stettinius emphasized that the war and navy departments "have certified that they are of the opinion that the military and strategic implications of the charter as a whole was in accord with the security interests of the United States."

The former cabinet officer was to be followed to the witness chair by Owlshir D. Leo Pasvolky, a leading charter technician.

While he was testifying before the committee, the White House made public Stettinius' 50,000-word report to Mr. Truman on the San Francisco conference. In it Stettinius reviewed the projected organization, then wrote:

"The battle of peace has to be fought on two fronts. The first is the security front where victory spells freedom from fear. The second is the economic and social front where victory means freedom from want."

"Only victory on both fronts can assure the world of an enduring peace."

LOCAL NEWS OF COLORED PEOPLE

John Larkin To Speak At Court House Friday John R. Larkin, state consultant of negro public welfare, will talk at the court house on Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock and all negroes in the city are urged to attend the lecture, since he will discuss matters of importance to the welfare of the negro race. Special music for the occasion will be furnished by several local quartets.

Virginia Quartet To Sing Here Wednesday The Determined Four quartet of Richmond, Va., will render a program of gospel songs at the Willford Temple here on Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

WEEK-END VISIT Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roberts and daughter, Elizabeth Allen, visited Mr. Roberts' aunt, Miss Ethel Richardson, of Charlotte over the week end.

Louis XIV once paid 14,000 for a pair of buttons.



A YANK GETS DIRECTIONS IN BERLIN—Sgt. John Syweck of Rahway, N. J., gets directions from a Russian traffic policeman on Unter Den Linden here. In background is Brandenburg Gate. Picture by Henry L. Griffin, Associated Press Staff photographer.—(AP Wirephoto).

McELROY BADLY HURT BY TRACTOR

Cam McElroy, 38, who lives near Lattimore, is in a critical condition at the Shelby hospital after he fell into the gears of his tractor this morning shortly after 8 o'clock. The accident occurred on the H. R. Early farm. Mr. McElroy suffered deep and severe lacerations on both legs and his right leg was badly mangled necessitating its amputation. The accident occurred when the wheel ran off the tractor.

Architects Institute Inducts New Members

CHAPEL HILL, July 9.—(P)—Fourteen new members have been inducted into the North Carolina chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

They are: Professor Jehu D. Raulson of the State college architectural and engineering department, who was elected a member emeritus; Allen Jay Maxwell, jr., Goldsboro; Owen F. Smith, Raleigh; Basil G. F. Lasset, Fayetteville; John J. Rowland, Kinston; Lt. William S. Rogers, Silver Springs, Md.; Major Fred C. Williams, Raleigh; John M. Franklin, Elkin; James H. Grady, Raleigh; Pfc. Robert H. Longstreet, Dayton, Ohio; Robert W. Noble, Raleigh; Charles W. Gonnely, Charlotte; Thomas W. Cooper, Raleigh, and James M. Edwards, jr.

The induction ceremony was Saturday at the final session of a two-day mid-year meeting of the North Carolina chapter.

Brazilian Cruiser Lost In Atlantic

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 9.—(P)—The 3,150-ton Brazilian cruiser Bahia has been lost in a mid-Atlantic explosion probably with heavy casualties among its complement of 383 men, the Navy announced today.

United States units searched for survivors. A number of men were reported picked up. The cause of the explosion has not been determined.

MUSTANGS

Starts On Page One enemy communications and supplies centers in Formosa and along the China invasion coast.

Navy patrol bombers continued their constant harassing of the Igbeanton, China, arms plant, and Fifth Air Force Liberators over Formosa destroyed two Japanese bombers and damaged other enemy planes grounded at Heiko airfield.

A-20 attack bombers ripped Taijen and Yutan airfields, the Takao docks, and Toko seaplane base. Seventh left Marine planes pounded again at Indo-China railroads.

The 13th Air Force continued heavy-bomber support of ground forces in the Sambodja oilfield area of southeast Borneo.

DEADLOCK

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Col. Howley said reports by his detachments disclosed that the people in Berlin were not starving, but in fact were getting larger rations, "at least on paper, than other Russian-held German cities."

"The Berlin ration is virtually equivalent to 2,000 calories daily—nearly one fourth larger than that prescribed by the Allies in western Germany in modification last month of the starvation standard previously set in May," Howley added.

Subscription rights expire July 21 and any stock not taken by present stockholders will be offered publicly by a banking group headed by Dillon, Read & Co.

VOTE AGAINST UNIONS WASHINGTON, July 9.—(P)—The National Labor Relations board announced today that employees of the American Bakeries company's Charlotte, N. C., plant voted June 26 against designating either the CIO or AFL Bakers' union as their bargaining agent.

The board said the vote was: AFL 18, CIO 31, and for neither 58.

Annual Encampment Of State Guard Begins Tuesday

RALEIGH, July 9.—(P)—Adjutant General J. Van B. Metts said today that advance detachments of the North Carolina State Guard left today for Fort Bragg, where the guard will hold its annual encampment and training school July 10-22.

A three-day school for officers and noncommissioned officers will begin tomorrow, General Metts said, and the main body of troops will report on July 13 and will break camp on Sunday, July 22.

Approximately 170 officers and 1,700 enlisted men are expected to attend the encampment, General Metts said. They will be taken to Fort Bragg in school buses from their home counties.

Director Of Lidice Massacre Arrested

PRAGUE, July 9.—(P)—The arrest of Gestapo Officer Hans Forster, accused of directing the Lidice massacre, was announced today. Czechoslovak police said Forster had been hiding in a forest near Karlsbad since the surrender of Germany.

REPORT

Starts On Page One Tokyo said 50 Mustang fighters from Iwo Jima attacked air fields around Tokyo, Osaka and Kobe, while another 40 strafed Hamamatsu and Yashiki. All Mustang targets are on central Honshu.

Superforts flying alone or in groups of three were reported on extensive missions over Honshu, main island of Japan. Several of them flew over and around Tokyo.

Chichi Island in the Bonin group was reconnoitered by another 50 Mustangs from Iwo Jima Saturday and Sunday, a second broadcast reported, while 150 bombers and fighters attacked Marcus Island in the central Pacific.

TRUK BY-PASSED Japanese propagandists, heard by the federal communications commission, claimed four Liberators were shot down over by-passed Truk island in the Marianas Sunday.

Attempting to analyze the Allied air offensive, radio Tokyo said "the U. S. is making a serious and calculated attempt to raze the Japanese mainland thoroughly before invasion and thus try to weaken all resistance before the decisive battle of the mainland is fought."

To do this, the U. S. has already assembled more than 2,000 planes in the Philippines, 1,000 B-29s in the Marianas group, more than 200 P-51s on Iwo Jima and about 1,000 in the Okinawa Archipelago.

Reynolds Company Gives Share Bonus

NEW YORK, July 9.—(P)—Stockholders of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. today were offered 490,000 shares of new 3.60 percent preferred stock at \$100 a share on a basis of 1-20th of a share for each share of common and class "B" stock held.

Subscription rights expire July 21 and any stock not taken by present stockholders will be offered publicly by a banking group headed by Dillon, Read & Co.

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Starts On Page One 605,000 or 91; Alabama, 1,380,000 or 97; Mississippi, 2,310,000 or 98; Arkansas, 1,630,000 or 91; Louisiana, 860,000 or 92; Oklahoma, 1,375,000 or 90; Texas, 6,400,000 or 87; New Mexico, 119,000 or 103; Arizona, 153,000 or 106; California, 319,000 or 105; and all others, 17,000 or 95.

Americans now are taller on the average than any large group of people in history.

Today's Markets

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Table with columns: N. Y. COTTON At 2:00, Today, Pre. Day. Rows: March, May, July, October, December.

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Table with columns: STOCKS AT 2:00, Ann Rolling Mill, American Lycopodium, American Tobacco B, etc.

Table with columns: STOCKS HIGHER, NEW YORK, July 9.—(P)—Stocks moved irregularly higher in today's market with especial strength exhibited by assorted favorites.

Widest jumper was American Telephone, up about three to a new eight-year peak. In front the greater part of the proceedings were Santa Fe, Pennsylvania, Great Northern, U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Eastman Kodak, Boeing, Sperry, United Aircraft, Standard Oil (N.J.), Columbia Gas and Electric Power and Light. Hesitant were Consolidated Edison, Goodrich, Phelps Dodge, Union Carbide, J. C. Penney, Republic Steel and International Harvester.

Commodities improved. Bonds were narrow.

BUTTER AND EGGS CHICAGO, July 9.—(P)—Butter, firm; receipts 621,188. Eggs, receipts 12,792.

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK CHICAGO, July 9.—(P)—(WFA)—Sizable hogs 4,000, total 8,500; active and fully steady; good and choice barrows and gilts at 140-lb. up at 14.75 ceiling, good and choice down at 14.00; complete clearance.

Sizable cattle 17,000, total 17,500; salable calves 1,000, total 1,000; fed steers and yearlings generally steady; strictly good and choice kinds active, others rather slow at 16.00 downward; top 18.00; sizable supply 17.50-17.85; general bulk 17.75-17.50; heifers slow, steady; best 17.75 cows again very scarce, firm; light cutters 8.50 down; most beef cows 9.50-12.50; steady to strong market on bulls and vealers; weighty sausage bulls at 13.50, mostly 15.00 down on fat beef bulls; vealers 16.00 down; stock cattle in very moderate supply, steady.

N. C. HOGS RALEIGH, July 9.—(P)—(NCDA)—Hog markets steady with tops of 14.55 at Clinton and Rocky Mount and 14.85 at Richmond.

N. C. EGGS, POULTRY RALEIGH, July 9.—(P)—(NCDA)—Egg and poultry markets steady to very firm.

Raleigh—U. S. grade AA large 46; hens, all weights, 27 1-2. Washington—U. S. grade A large 46; broilers and fryers 32.5.

COTTON Cotton prices advanced late in the week, off-setting earlier declines. Domestic mill buying was generally slow and the reported volume of spot sales was down sharply. The progress of the crop and speculation about the extent of the acreage reduction as compared with last season's small cotton acreage were the center of market attention. The official acreage estimate will be released Monday, July 9. Crop progress continued to improve but the crop is late and there were a good many reports of heavy weevil infestation.

Prices for middling 15/16 inch in the ten spot markets averaged 22.55 cents per pound on Friday, July 6, against 22.55 a week earlier and 21.08 a year ago. The Commodity Credit Corporation sales price for loan and pooled stocks during July is 22.75 cents per pound for middling 15/16 inch at average location (Memphis) flat. This is 25 points over the June parity equivalent. The sales price in June was 22.65 cents.

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Princeton Pledged To Avenge Namesake

PHILADELPHIA, July 9.—(P)—With the new skipper pledging her to the task of avenging her namesake lost in the battle of Leyte gulf last October, the mighty aircraft carrier Princeton slid down the ways yesterday into the Delaware river.

Capt. John M. Hoskins of Belleville, Md., told a cheering crowd estimated at 65,000 "I can and do promise you now that the captain, officers and men of this ship will do all in their power to avenge that marvelous fighting ship of the same name x x x."

Mrs. Harold W. Dodds, wife of the president of Princeton university, smashed the traditional bottle of champagne across the bow of the fifth fighting ship to bear the name of the New Jersey university.

NOMURA

Starts On Page One Allied war program. Undoubtedly he is trying to draw from the Allies some further, more concrete, declaration as to what "unconditional surrender" entails. Why? Well, because Japan knows that she is beaten and she is looking about to see what can be salvaged from the wreckage.

Things must indeed look black to Tokyo. The homeland is virtually isolated by allied naval and air blockade. Japan cannot feed herself, and already is faced with a food crisis. We are just hitting our stride in an aerial bombardment which will be more terrible than anything the world has seen.

This past week-end also has marked the eighth anniversary of China's struggle against Japanese barbarism—and it finds the Chinese at long last heading out of the woods. Tokyo will have noted that this anniversary was the occasion of Prime Minister Churchill's renewal of the pledge that Britain will concentrate all her efforts in cooperation with the Allies to achieve final victory in the Pacific. France, too, promised her help.

RUSSIA'S ATTITUDE Meantime there is a widespread impression among observers abroad that the question of Russia's attitude towards coming into the war against Japan will be discussed at the forthcoming conference of the Big Three in Berlin. No wonder Tokyo is anxious about peace terms. Even if Russia remains neutral, Japan's goose is cooked. If the Muscovites come in, it will mean an even quicker defeat and quite likely much tougher terms.

So far as concerns the Allied position on unconditional surrender, President Truman made that clear in his recent message to congress. At that time he said in part:

"If Japanese insist on continuing resistance beyond the point of reason, their country will suffer the same destruction as Germany. Our blows will destroy their whole modern industrial plant and organization, which

Levi And Bride Have 2nd Ceremony, Feel Better About It Now

MIAMI, Fla., July 9.—(P)—After going through their second wedding ceremony in ten days both David Bronson Levi of Asheville, N. C., and Rachel Pettit of Pauline, S. C., agree they feel better about the whole thing.

Their first wedding, a week ago Friday, was under a signed agreement before a notary public because the groom's 48-hour leave did not allow him time to comply with Florida's new three-day wait law.

Saturday, after Levi had hitchhiked 2,000 miles by navy plane from his overseas base, the couple were married by a clergyman and with a license.

Levi, a navy aviation storekeeper, was to return to his base today.

CHERRY TO SPEAK

DURHAM.—(P)—Governor Cherry will deliver an address at a conference on race relations at the North Carolina College for Negroes in the B. N. Duke auditorium Wednesday night. Dr. James E. Shepard, president, has announced.

They have built up during the past century and which they are now devoting to a hopeless cause.

"We have no desire or intention to destroy or enslave the Japanese people. But only surrender can prevent the kind of ruin which they have seen come to Germany as a result of continued, useless resistance."

If Japan were smart she would surrender now, thereby saving herself useless punishment—and forestalling Russia's possible entrance into the conflict.

WANT ADS

FOR SALE: TWO BOYS' bicycles, one slightly used trombone, and one miniature pool table. See Carl Roberts, Jr., at Cleveland Gas Co. 4t-9-13-16-20c

WE HAVE A GOOD STOCK OF 600x16 grade I Goodrich Silver-town tires at B. F. Goodrich Stores, 219 S. LaFayette St. 4t 9c

TOO LATE FOR BEHIND THE FRONT PAGE: Two young ladies would like ride to Myrtle Beach Saturday. Call Holt McPherson.

SEAT COVERS, RECAPPED tires. (no certificate required). Penrich motor oil at B. F. Goodrich Stores, 219 S. LaFayette St. 4t 9c

PLENTY OF HOME GROWN corn, mountain beans, tomatoes, cantaloupes, watermelons and home grown okra. The City Curb Market, on the square. 3t-9c

Advertisement for HOPPER'S Service Station, 231 EAST WARREN STREET, SHELBY, N. C. Includes text about expert recapping service, complete tire inspection, and U.S. ROYAL DeLuxe tires.

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