

Brief Review Of State, World News During The Past Week

JULY 4th CELEBRATED BY BIG AIR ATTACKS

London — Reconnaissance photographs revealed United States Flying Fortresses, in their three-pronged attack Sunday on France scored heavier damage than at first had been believed as they bombed two German airplane plants, scored more than 100 hits on an airfield and wrecked important submarine base installations.

The American raids were against Nantes and La Pallice on the west coast and Le Mans, 120 miles southwest of Paris. They were followed up Sunday night by a R. A. F. assault on a heavily-laden medium-sized supply ship which was caught stranded on a Norwegian reef.

N. C. IS NOW FACING A TEACHER SHORTAGE

Raleigh — There will be a definite teacher shortage in North Carolina's schools during the 1943-44 school year, despite the lowering of teacher certificate qualifications and the fact that teacher allotments will be approximately 200 less than that of last year, Nathan Yelton, comptroller for the State Board of Education, said.

Yelton said that reports coming to his office indicated the shortage would be about the same as last year, when teacher vacancies were difficult to fill.

The comptroller said he would prepare a questionnaire to be sent to all administrative school heads asking for information as to the number of vacancies, and that the State Board of Education would make every effort to help fill vacancies.

India reduced her cotton acreage from 23,547,000 acres last year to 18,716,000 acres this year, with more acres in food crops.

MILLION MEN ARE READY FOR INVASION

London — What makes the underbelly of the axis quiver? Across the blue Mediterranean, opposite the 3,000 mile coastline from Perpignan in France to Alexandroupolis in Greece, more than a million men of the allied armies, with air force such as the world has never seen, are poised to spring against any one of several places.

When it will come is the closest held secret in the world. No one can fight like well-trained, superbly equipped men who have tasted the sweets of victory.

And in the five allied armies in North Africa and the Middle East—there are at least that many—there are hundreds of thousands of veterans of the memorable campaign that drove the axis armies from Africa.

On the defensive along the underside of Europe from southern France to the Dodecanese islands are probably 2,000,000 soldiers, three quarters of them Italians, and an air force of something like 2,000 planes, about half of it the deficient Regia Aeronautica of Italy.

MRS. CHIANG KAI-SHEK RETURNS TO HER HOME

Chungking — Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek returned by plane to this war capital Sunday for a joyful reunion with her husband, the Chinese generalissimo, after an extended tour of the United States and Canada.

Wearily and airsick, she landed at the airfield here in a transport plane piloted by an American crew, ending her 15,000-mile journey which began last Nov. 18.

The time of her arrival was kept so secret that not even the generalissimo was informed. Consequently he was not at the

Sailors Help Save Potato Crop



Answering Governor Darden's appeal to save the potato crop in the face of a critical labor shortage, 500 sailors at Norfolk, Va., went into the field to help harvest. There is no shortage of potatoes here as the sailors follow the digger turning up rows of tubers.

Labor Draft Is Predicted Likely In Next Congress

Casualty List Reaches 91,644

Washington — Casualties of the armed forces since the outbreak of the war now total 91,644.

The Office of War Information said this includes 16,696 dead; 21,828 wounded; 31,579 missing; and 21,541 prisoners of war.

Army casualties total 64,621, divided as follows: Killed, 8,533; wounded 17,094; missing, 21,046; prisoners of war, 17,948. Of the wounded 6,268 have returned to active duty or have been released from hospitals. The army casualties include 12,506 Philippine scouts. Of these 481 were killed, 743 wounded, and the remainder are presumed to be prisoners of war.

Navy casualties totaled 27,023 as follows:

Dead, 8,163; wounded, 4,734; missing, 10,533; prisoners of war, 3,593. The navy casualties were divided as follows:

Navy—Dead, 6,293; wounded, 2,265; missing, 9,389; prisoners of war, 1,855; total, 19,802.

Marine Corps—Dead, 1,688; wounded, 2,447; missing, 987; prisoners of war, 1,737; total, 6,859.

Coast guard—Dead, 182; wounded, 22; missing, 157; prisoners of war, 1; total, 362.

MANPOWER NEEDS TO REACH 65 MILLIONS

Washington — The War Manpower Commission, projecting U. S. needs in human resources a year ahead, estimated that full manpower requirements will climb to 65,900,000 by July 1, 1944, and that the armed forces alone will take 11,300,000.

In a statistical analysis surveying the entire manpower outlook for the coming 12 months, WMC sounded a note of encouragement by emphasizing that the rate of increase in the armed forces and war industries will slacken.

4-H Clubs Give Army Ambulance

North Carolina 4-H Club boys and girls celebrated Independence Day this year on July 3 by giving the U. S. Army a completely equipped ambulance for overseas service, says L. R. Harrill, State Club Leader for the Extension Service at N. C. State College.

The ambulance was presented to a representative of the Surgeon General's Office at ceremonies on Fayetteville Street in Raleigh and the Wake county 4-H Club Council made the formal presentation in behalf of all club members in North Carolina. The proceedings were broadcast over Radio Station WPTF.

On the same day, Miss Francis Banks, president of the North Carolina 4-H Club Council and a member from Pasquotank county, appeared on the National Farm and Home Hour program from Washington in presenting another 4-H ambulance to the Army. She represented the Southern States and was accompanied to Washington by Miss Celeste Spivey, home demonstration agent of the Extension Service in Pasquotank county.

Through a salvage program the North Carolina club members collected \$1,741.68 for the ambulance fund and came second on the honor roll among all the states in the U. S. The variety of ways in which this money was accumulated is a real tribute to the ingenuity and resourcefulness of the 4-H boys and girls.

airport to greet her and only upon her arrival at their home here were they reunited.

Washington — Legislation for the compulsory draft of labor, probably with administration backing, to prevent possible collapse of manpower policies this week appeared headed for enactment when Congress returns from its Summer recess.

Responsible Congressional quarters said a proviso undoubtedly would be included calling for the dismissal of War Manpower Chief Paul V. McNutt who has been under incessant fire from the Legislators, although he believes a labor draft is "inevitable" he has been experimenting with voluntary methods and pleading for time to prove them a failure.

The administration, faced with a need to recruit 3,600,000 men and women for essential war work in the next 12 months and admittedly running into "increasing difficulty," is said to look more favorable on the National Service Act drafted by Rep. James W. Wadsworth, R., N. Y., and Senator Warren R. Austin, R., Vt.

Some officials said a public endorsement by President Roosevelt after Congress returns is entirely likely.

Wadsworth, who conferred with the President last week, said he had received no definite commitment but got the impression the administration is showing "greatly increased interest" in the draft proposal.

The shellac coating formerly applied to prevent their shrinkage in transit has been replaced by a wax coating to save shellac for war use.

More than a hundred girls graduates of a Roxbury, Mass., high school were red and white graduation gowns they had made themselves, with corages of blue War Stamps.

Cotton fibers, impregnated to make them durable, are now used to manufacture house screens.

Europe normally produces 90 per cent of the world's potato crop; the United States produces only 4 per cent.

Saved food is one of the most effective ways for the average citizen to help win the war.

An American aviator, lost in the jungles and forced to eat a grasshopper for food, said that it tasted like crabmeat.

Up Your Savings



There will be American justice for the savages of Tokio but our trial and punishment of Tojo and his criminals will cost blood, sweat, toil and tears and money. You can supply the money by upping your war bond buying through the payroll savings plan. Figure it out yourself and see where the money is coming from. How much does it cost you and your family to live each month? How much money is coming in from all members of your family? Put the extra money into war bonds, every penny of it. The 10 per cent is only the starting point for figuring your allotment.

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