

# Brief Review Of State, National And World News During The Past Week

## STATE APPLE CROP TO BE LOW THIS YEAR

Raleigh — The 1945 State commercial apple crop is estimated by the State Department of Agriculture at only 315,000 bushels—less than one-fifth of last year's production of 1,782,000 bushels, and even smaller than the poor crop grown in 1943. Some orchards in the Brushy Mountain area of Alexander and Wilkes counties report a fair setting of apples. The crop in other mountain sections, however, is exceptionally spotted and generally exceedingly light.

North Carolina's peach crop, now at peak harvest, was set at 2,370,000 bushels—the same estimate given a month ago. Although this year's crop is approximately 300,000 bushels less than the quantity grown last season, commercial production in the Sandhills is reported higher than for last season. Commercial rail shipments are now expected to total about 2,300 cars as compared with 1,700 in 1944.

## NAPS ON TRAINS FOR G. I.'S WILL ROTATE

Washington — The army is going to experiment with "sleep shifts" on Pullmans in an effort to relieve the shortage of sleeping cars, it was learned this week.

Under this system, a soldier will occupy a berth eight to 12 hours and then relinquish it to another soldier for a similar period. The remainder of the time will be spent in day coaches.

The first test train, made up of coaches and Pullmans, will leave Camp Kilmer, N. J., at 9 a. m. Sunday for Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Hybrid corn acreage has been expanded at such a rate as to make up nearly two-thirds of America's corn acreage today, according to Federal statisticians.

## NAZIS MUST PAY 20 BILLION DOLLARS

New York—The Herald Tribune said a secret agreement was reached at the Yalta conference whereby Russia, Great Britain and the United States would split \$20,000,000,000 to be supplied by Germany in reparations.

In a dispatch from Washington, the newspaper said:

"... Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin agreed to extract \$20,000,000,000 in reparations from Germany in five years.

"... The agreement was that Russia would get the bear's share, or 50 per cent; the United States 20 per cent, Great Britain, 20 per cent, and the minor victims of the Nazi aggressors in Europe, a total of 10 per cent."

The Herald Tribune added: "... Russia is now going on the theory that what was said then (the Yalta conference last February) by the President, the Prime Minister and the Premier, still goes—Senate or no Senate."

The article said that at Yalta, Stalin said, in effect: "If you leave the situation to me, I'll get \$30,000,000,000 out of them."

## Young Engineer With Old Idea



George A. Bucher gives his son, David, a helping hand to complete the latter's idea of building a sidewheeler at their home at Lake Mohawk, N. J. The boat is 14 feet long and driven by a two-horsepower gasoline engine, connected by a belt with a shaft on which are mounted two 304-inch paddle wheels.

## 2,000,000 Will Soon Lack Jobs In War Production Work

### 44th DIVISION HAS COME HOME AGAIN

New York—The 44th Division came home aboard the mighty Queen Elizabeth—14,766 of the men who sailed for Europe 10 months ago and drove all the way across Germany to Austria for their part in the final kill of Nazism.

The world's largest hospital ship, the Francis Y. Slinger, also arrived. The Slinger docked at Staten Island with 1,561 litter and ambulatory patients for Halloran General Hospital.

Other ships which docked were: The Monticello, with 7,037 men including the 23d and 38th Regiments of the 2d Infantry; the Lejeune, with 4,621 men of the 11th Regiment of the 5th Infantry Division; the Bret Harte, with 353 reassignment troops, and the Nishmaha, with 12 liberated air force prisoners of war.

There are some indications that the downward trend in the farm labor supply may have ended, according to the United States Department of Agriculture.

cautions necessary to take in caring for a person having a contagious disease were discussed.

Much interest was shown in the demonstration of various improvised equipment which could be used in caring for a sick person.

The nurse met with the group and gave some helpful demonstrations during the last meeting.

Washington — The War Manpower Commission reported this week that cutbacks in war production since V-E Day will lift the nation's unemployment total to the 2,000,000 mark by August 1.

This will be an increase of 1,000,000 over the June 1 figure. On that date, only 1,000,000 men and women were out of work in the entire country.

WMC is not worried about the sudden increase in unemployment, however. It expects most of the jobs to be absorbed in reconversion production. From August until Nov. 1, about 700,000 unemployed are expected to return to work in reconverted industries and expanded civilian activities.

Unemployment is not evenly spread throughout the country. Some areas, like Portland, Me., Evansville, Ind., Jacksonville, Fla., Detroit, Mich., Houston, Texas, and Fresno, Calif., have a surplus of manpower. But other cities such as New Bedford, Mass., Baltimore, Md., Akron, Ohio, Mobile, Ala., and Portland, Ore., have a shortage.

In the past two months the Midwest has suffered the greatest number of cutbacks in its war industry and consequently has the most widespread lay-offs. Heaviest cutbacks have been in Michigan and Ohio, where thousands of people have been laid off in aircraft, ordnance, and small-arms war plants in Detroit, Grand Rapids, Muskegon, and Pontiac, Mich., and Lima, Toledo and Mansfield, Ohio.

## GENERAL BRADLEY IS HOME FROM EUROPE

Washington — Gen. Omar N. Bradley arrived by plane from Europe last week and left immediately for a vacation prior to taking over as head of the Veterans Administration on Aug. 15.

Bradley's destination was not disclosed and the War Department said he would be "incommunicado" until ready to assume his new duties.

The former commander of ground forces in Europe, Bradley flew here by way of New York. His plane landed at 12:19 p. m. at the Washington National Airport.

A military aide said the general's vacation would be his first in 12 or 13 years and that he was "badly in need of rest."

## HOUSE MEMBERS ARE NOW ON VACATION

Washington — House members took off last week for their longest vacation since 1938 after a listless final session in which they boosted the pay of a group of legislative employees and discussed the palatability of horse meat.

Barring emergencies which might recall them to work sooner, they won't return to business until October 8, the 11-week holiday being the most extended unbroken surcease from official work since the six months vacation of 1938.

There was no fanfare or celebration as the adjournment bells rang the end of a six-month session with only about fifty members in their seats at the finish. Quitting time was 2:22 p. m. eastern war time.

House action included adoption of a resolution giving raises of from \$500 to \$1,500 annually to a group of miscellaneous House employees who failed to receive increases several months ago when the House voted each of its members \$2,500 expense funds.

## FINISH SHORT COURSE IN HOME NURSING

A short course in first aid and home nursing, conducted by Miss Ainslee Alexander, associate FSA supervisor, for FSA and other interested families, has recently been completed in the Laurel Springs section.

Discussions centered around first aid treatment which would be of practical use to mothers in the home, as bandaging wounds, how to stop bleeding, treatment for burns, snake bites, poisoning, and other first aid measures. Special diets for the sick person, daily care of the sick, and pre-

## SPARTAN Theatre

SPARTA, N. C.

FRI.-SAT. JULY 27-28

Matinee Every Sat.

1:15 P. M.

Gene Autry

—in—

OH SUSANNA

Chapter 9

"Zorro's Black Whip"

MON.-TUES. JULY 30-31

Joan Fontaine

Arturo de Cordova

—in—

FRENCHMAN'S CREEK

Latest War News

WED.-THURS. AUG 1-2

Bargain Days

Admission 15c & 20c

John Wayne

Ann Dvorak

—in—

FLAME OF BARBARA COAST

Chapter 1

"Monster and the Ape"

Also Popeye Cartoon

## AMERICAN HEROES

by WOODY COWAN



BUYING War Bonds to support such men as Sgt. Walter D. Ehlers is little enough. Acting as spearhead against an enemy strongpoint, he killed four in a Nazi patrol, put a gun crew out of action and put to flight a mortar section. Again he advanced on a machine gun and knocked out its crew single-handed. All that he did while machine gun bullets and mortar fire poured upon him and his men.

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State College research workers are busy trying to discover new, improved methods of agriculture and are attempting to find better control measures to curb crop and livestock diseases which hamper the progress of Tarheel farmers. The USDA is offering for sale to the original processors 1,905 cases of canned tomatoes.

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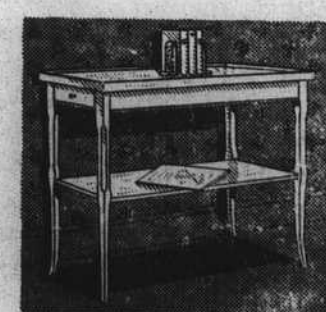
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