

War Outlook Is Brighter For Allies As Japan And Germany Suffer Big Loss

Fail To Capitalize On Advantage Of Surprise Attack In Pacific And U. S. Naval Forces Are Hunting Enemy

Route Appears As Army Flees Before Russians Before Their Capitol

news for this week has decidedly more hopeful for allies as it appears that both Germany and the Japanese suffered serious reverses during the past few days.

fact, it now appears that the Japanese played a dirty trick on his partners when he dragged them into the war just at the point, for during the past point, the German armies have put to route before Moscow the combined forces of Russia.

may be wish-thinking to assume that this trend can long continue, but sympathizers of the cause find it a great source of satisfaction right now. And all must not be too good for German morale, for there also the report that Herr Hitler returned to his mountain-cave with a sick man. Well he might, for the Russian campaign certainly has developed into a head-on major proportion.

Lybia, too, the British continue to pound the Axis forces in what appears to be a clean-up of those forces in North Africa.

of course, chief interest centered in the Pacific ocean attention is forced upon retaliation measures of the U. S. forces against the Japanese. So far our efforts have consisted of minor naval victories and successful defense of our fortifications against the Japanese. There has been no major engagement, and the Navy department reports that this is the darkest hours of the war yet. The enemy will not be in battle. Their policy is to wait.

isn't being written with thought that our people shall have the false impression that war is going all our way now. There are still serious foes to be conquered, the darkest hours of the war yet still be before us; but pleasant to take the sweet of the bitter.

formal report Monday Secretary Knox told of his latest impression of damage done in the Sunday, December attack at Pearl Harbor. We heard a terrible blow, but the feeling was one of relief to know just how bad it was. We knew just how bad it was. We knew just how bad it was.

truck and bus owners sought

Asked To Register Capacity Of Vehicles In Order To Organize Transportation On War-Time Basis

ALEIGH, Dec. 16—Entrance to the United States into war has made it imperative that every citizen and bus owners in North Carolina complete and return the necessary cards requested of them.

Member by the State Highway Traffic Advisory Committee. The War Department, W. B. Baise, chairman, said to the chief purpose of this survey is to get an inventory of all trucks, freight cars and busses for use in transporting highway transportation to meet war time needs.

Under this plan these vehicles will be mobilized for use in the assembly of defense-injury materials, delivery of civilian and military supplies, relief work and terminal congestion, in emergencies, the movement of passenger traffic.

Another reason for stressing the importance of this inventory, the chairman added, is it will help to assure future production of new motor vehicles and replacement parts for existing equipment.

The plan does not contemplate, (Continued on page 4)

CHRISTMAS DINNERS



TURKEYS—It has been observed in traveling about the county that there are many fine flocks of turkeys apparently still intact after Thanksgiving's toll. The turkey market should enjoy brisk business from now until Christmas.

Mass Meetings Held To Talk Defense

Legion Leaders Called Meeting Of White Citizens In Court House Saturday; Colored Met Last Night

INSTRUCTED WHAT TO DO IN AIR RAID

Those Present Also Acquainted With Defense Measures And Asked To Cooperate With Program

A mass meeting of Southport citizens was held Saturday night in the courthouse to hear a discussion of plans and preparations which may affect them as a result of the state of war which now exists between the United States and Japan, Germany and Italy.

The meeting was called by Chas. M. Trout, commander of the Brunswick County Post No. 194, American Legion, and was presided over by L. T. Yaskell.

The chairman explained that the National Legion Headquarters had been asked to assume responsibility for organizing an air raid (Continued On Page 4)

Seeks Funds For Firemen

Ormand Leggett, Chief Of Defense Volunteer Fire Department, Sees Need For Protective Clothing

Ormand Leggett, chief of the defense volunteer fire department, which is being set up to function as a supplementary force for the regular firemen of the community in the event of an air raid, makes an appeal to public spirited citizens of the community for funds with which to purchase some protective clothing for a company of 15 volunteers who will be trained for emergency work here.

What he has in mind for them are rubber boots, firemen's capes and rain hats, and he wants it (Continued On Page Two)

If An Air Raid Comes

Because no suitable siren is available in Southport, the method for warning the populace of an impending air raid will be to have all the church bells in town ringing in unison. When danger from the raid has past this signal will be repeated. During the course of the danger period the following directions should be followed:

- Above all, keep calm. Don't create panic.
- Get off the streets but don't run—walk.
- If within five minutes of home go there. It at home stay there. Home is the safest place. Don't mingle with crowds.
- If more than five minutes from home seek shelter in the center portions of nearest building. Avoid top stories of buildings. Stay away from windows and outside walls.
- Motorists should park cars and seek shelter.
- Put out lights. Avoid use of telephone.
- Remain calm.
- Shut off all gas ranges, heaters.
- The duties of civilians are as those of the armed forces. Don't get excited. Your safety, as well as that of your family, your fellow workers and others may depend on how you act.
- Fill bathtub and buckets for use of firemen if mains break.
- Go to room with fewest windows and lie down. Keep radio turned on. Leave at least one window open.
- If incendiary bombs fall, spray water on them. Never use splash or steam of water, as the bomb will explode. Bomb will burn fifteen minutes if left alone. Only two minutes if sprayed. Don't use a chemical fire extinguisher on bombs.
- Co-operate with air-raid wardens. Obey instructions. Above all, keep calm.
- Coaches, members of a band and other persons admitted free to a place solely for the purpose (Continued on page 4)

Tax Laws Govern Admissions For School Events

County Superintendent Of Schools Miss Annie May Woodside Is In Receipt Of Information On Subject

GAMES AND PLAYS ARE INCLUDED

Federal Tax Of 10-Per Cent Must Be Collected On All Admissions Of 10-Cents Or Fraction Thereof

County Supt. of schools, Miss Woodside, is in receipt of the following instructions regarding the federal tax on admission to school events, plays, and all types of entertainments.

"Section 1700 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by section 541 (a) of the Revenue Act of 1941, imposes a tax of 1 cent for each 10 cents or fraction thereof of the amount paid for admission to any place, including admission by season tickets or subscription. The tax is to be paid by the persons paying for admission. It is provided that no tax shall be imposed on the amount paid for the admission of a child under twelve years of age if the amount paid is less than 10 cents.

The above section of the Code, as amended, provides that in the case of persons (except bona fide employees, municipal officers on official business, children under twelve years of age, members of the military or naval forces of the United States when in uniform, and members of the Civilian Conservation Corps when in uniform) admitted free or at reduced rates to any place at any time when and under circumstances under which an admission charge is made to other persons, an equivalent tax shall be collected based on the price so charged to such other persons for the same or similar accommodations, to be paid by the person so admitted.

Section 541 (b) of the Revenue Act of 1941, provides that section 1701 of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to exemptions from admissions tax) shall not apply with respect to amounts paid, on or after October 1, 1941, for admission.

In many cases high schools sell to their students activity tickets covering admission to athletic games or other affairs at the schools. The students paying the activity fees are then admitted either free or at reduced rates.

Amounts paid for the student activity tickets represent amounts paid for admission by season tickets or subscription. Any amounts paid on or after October 1, 1941, for such activity tickets are subject to tax at the rate of 1 cent for each 10 cents or fraction thereof.

If the student activity tickets cover subscriptions to the school paper, or other privileges in addition to admissions, the charge applicable to the admissions and the charge applicable to the school paper, etc., may be separated and the tax collected only on the charge for admissions.

When students of a school are admitted free or at reduced rates (whether or not they have paid an activity fee) to affairs held at the school which they attend, it is deemed that they are not admitted "under circumstances under which" other persons are admitted. The students admitted free to events at their own school are not liable for tax, and if admitted at reduced rates are liable for tax on the reduced price, except that an admission charge of less than 10 cents for a child under twelve years of age is not subject to tax. Students of other schools, twelve years of age or over, admitted to the athletic games or other affairs free or at reduced rates, are liable for a tax based on the regular established price of admission to the public for the same or similar accommodations, whether or not the students are seated in a separate section. Children under twelve years of age are liable for tax on the amount actually paid by them for admission, except that if the amount paid is less than 10 cents such payment is exempt from tax.

If a game between two schools is held at a place which has no connection with either school, all students (twelve years of age and over) admitted free or at reduced rates are liable for a tax based on the established price of admission to the public for the same or similar accommodation.

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County, State And Nation For Cotton Control

Farmers Of Brunswick County Voted In Six Townships Saturday To Roll Up Big Majority For Control In 1942

VOTE SHOWS 127 FOR, 4 AGAINST

This Reflects Sentiment Of Growers Throughout The United States As Production Control Continues

WASHINGTON—For the fifth consecutive year—and on this occasion in wartime—Southern farmers have voted to produce and market their cotton under a strict federal control program.

Virtually complete returns from a referendum Saturday gave 694,556 votes for and 37,671 against continuance of marketing quotas, which were imposed for the first time under the present farm law in 1938.

This vote gave a favorable percentage of 94.8, or far more than the necessary two-thirds. It also was the highest percentage of any

Farmers of Brunswick county voted overwhelmingly in favor of control of cotton production by the AAA during 1942. The final vote showed 127 for and 4 against the plan. The vote by township follows:

Township	Yes	No
Northwest	10	0
Town Creek	26	0
Smithville	19	0
Lockwoods Folly	21	2
Shallotte	34	0
Waccamaw	17	2
Total	127	4

of the five cotton referenda.

Federal farm officials had asked that the quotas be continued because of the existence of a two-year supply of cotton and darker prospects for exports due to the war.

In place of cotton, farmers are being urged to produce more food to meet needs of not only this nation but of its allies in the war.

Under quotas, farmers are restricted to the sale of cotton produced on their AAA planting allotments. Excess sales are subject to a stiff penalty tax.

Approval of quotas assures continuance of government price-supporting cotton loans.

Here is the vote:

State	Yes	No
Alabama	98,648	4,879
Arkansas	793	9
California	76,988	2,179
Florida	2,540	259
Georgia	1,787	269
Illinois	62,275	5,187
Kansas	145	15
Kentucky	22	3
Louisiana	1,049	22
Mississippi	51,751	2,271
Missouri	126,938	4,284
Montana	6,488	235
New Mexico	1,883	75
North Carolina	65,917	3,386
Oklahoma	41,478	9,066
South Carolina	51,552	1,787
Tennessee	27,116	589
Texas	74,036	8,224
Virginia	3,150	54
Totals	694,556	37,671

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Harold Robinson of Supply entered Doshier Memorial Hospital for treatment Saturday.

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PRESIDENT MAKES HISTORY



FINAL—Signing the act which puts us officially at war with Japan, President Roosevelt is shown at his desk soon after Congress passed the resolution with but one dissenting vote. Before that, Mr. Roosevelt made one of the briefest speeches of his career, asking Congress to declare war on Nippon. Standing behind the President are (left to right): Senators Charles McNary, Oregon; Alben W. Barkley, Ky., majority leader, and Carter Glass, Va.

Rules To Follow When Meeting Army Convoy

Holidays Begin For School Kids

Brunswick county schools will close at noon Friday for a Yuletide holiday that extends to Monday, January 5, 1942. This is good news to both students and teachers alike, who went without a holiday on Thanksgiving in order that the Christmas vacation might extend through New Year's Day.

It has been announced that all county offices will close at noon on Wednesday, December 24, and will remain closed until Monday, December 29. This is the same holiday schedule that is being followed by State officials.

"Troops and equipment must be continuously moved if the Army is to get the proper amount of training during their short term of service," Colonel Richmond said, "and the only place that they can travel is on the highways."

Drivers of private vehicles were asked by the Quartermaster Corps to avoid cutting into convoys while traveling in the same direction, and to use caution in passing other cars while meeting (continued on page four)

Brief News Flashes

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Deadline Fails To End Drive Of Red Cross Folks

All Sections Of The County Included In This Year's Membership Of Brunswick County Chapter Of Red Cross

MEMBERSHIPS COME IN FROM NAVY

Caswell Section Base Is 100 Per Cent; Mrs. Clemmons Is Doing Good Work In Supply Community

When somebody goes out to roll a big snowball he doesn't make the mistake of attempting to stop its course down the hill while it grows bigger and bigger with each revolution.

Well, that's the story of the Red Cross Roll Call and the inability of its chairman to make a final all-in report today. Yesterday Mrs. A. E. Huntley went to Caswell Section Base to give the men an opportunity to join the Brunswick County Chapter of the American Red Cross, and when she left there was not a single non-member. Learning of their neighbors' 100-percent rating, the personnel of Oak Island Coast Guard station invited her to come back today (its pay day) and they have designs upon doing the same thing.

And this morning a call on Mrs. Ida Clemmons at Supply revealed the fact that she has 12 members already and several other good prospects.

These facts, together with the inability to secure a final report on the activities of Miss Emma Lou Harrelson at Orton and of Mrs. J. L. Henry at Winnbow, leads to the logical conclusion that the present total of 273 members will not stand up when reports are all in.

Last year's total membership was 211.

A summary of the membership campaign thus far shows that there are 190 paying members in addition to the 88 white teachers and principals of the county, a 100-percent record for the consolidated schools, since the Junior Red Cross program also went over in each room.

The colored schools went 100-percent for the Junior Red Cross, but response of the teachers was not up to that standard. Supervisor Helen Stevens had charge of this program, with the following schools participating: Brunswick County Training School, Royal Oak, Piney Grove, Northwest, Leland, Phoenix, Chapel Road and Pine Level.

Following is a list of 1942 Red Cross members, complete up to today (Wednesday):

1942 members—American National Red Cross, Brunswick County Chapter.

SOUTHPORT

Volunteer Workers: Mrs. S. B. Frink, Mrs. Robert Thompson, Mrs. Frank Niernsee, Mrs. Hulan Watts, Mrs. A. K. Vitou, Mrs. Sid Veazey, Mrs. Dallas Piggott, Mrs. A. E. Huntley, Mrs. Alex Fox, and Miss Robbie Woodside.

R. C. St. George, J. D. Sutton, John Erickson, Miss Mary Weeks, Hulan Watts, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. J. N. Daniel, Mrs. John Swann, Mrs. George Y. Watson, W. B. Keziah, Mrs. Wanderlich, Mrs. Percy J. Farrell, J. M. Harper, Jr., K. Tobiasson, Miss Ethel Farr (Continued On Page Four)

Navy Accepting Men Rejected

Lowered Physical Requirements To Give Men Who Have Been Rejected Another Chance

A relaxation of physical standards for enlistments in the U. S. Navy and the Naval Reserve was announced this week by the Navy Department. In commenting on this action, the Navy Department announced that numerous men who in past months have sought to enlist and have been rejected on the basis of minor physical defects will, because of the modification of physical standards, be enlistment in either the regular Navy or the Naval Reserve for the duration of the emergency.

The Navy Department has requested that any person knowing of young men who had been barred from enlistment in the Navy or the Naval Reserve because of minor physical reasons should bring this modification in physical requirements to the attention of these young men.

Applicants with varicose veins will be acceptable under the changed standards, this varicose condition to be corrected, if the (Continued on Page Two)

Tide Table

Following is the tide table for Southport during the next week. These hours are approximately correct and were furnished The State Port Pilot through the courtesy of the Cape Fear Pilot's Association.

TIDE TABLE	
Thursday, December 18	
7:14 a. m.	1:00 a. m.
7:37 p. m.	1:43 p. m.
Friday, December 19	
8:03 a. m.	1:54 a. m.
8:27 p. m.	2:34 p. m.
Saturday, December 20	
8:52 a. m.	2:45 a. m.
9:18 p. m.	3:23 p. m.
Sunday, December 21	
9:24 a. m.	3:36 a. m.
10:11 p. m.	4:10 p. m.
Monday, December 22	
10:36 a. m.	4:25 a. m.
11:05 p. m.	4:58 p. m.
Tuesday, December 23	
11:29 a. m.	5:16 a. m.
	5:47 p. m.
Wednesday, December 24	
0:01 a. m.	6:13 a. m.
12:21 p. m.	6:41 p. m.