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## THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

### Aid to Britain, Russia

Lend-Lease Expediter Harriman and Lord Beaverbrook, heads of the U. S. and British mission to Moscow, announced in a joint statement the United States and Great Britain have "decided to place at the disposal of the Soviet Government practically every requirement for which the Soviet military and civil authorities have asked." The President told his press conference his rule of thumb of 50-50 allocation of war material production between this country and anti-Axis foreign powers is still in effect on the average.

Agriculture Secretary Wickard, speaking in Memphis, Tenn., said this country has shipped or bought for England about half a billion dollars worth of food, and "within the next year we expect to ship or buy another billion dollars worth." Federal Loan Administrator Jones announced the third disbursement of \$425,000,000 loan to Britain. He also announced a second disbursement of \$20,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 authorized for the Amtorg Trading Corporation, a U. S. corporation owned by Russian interests.

### Freedom of Religion in Russia

President Roosevelt told his press conference that W. Averell Harriman, chief of the American Mission to Moscow, has been specifically instructed to take up with the Russian Government the question of religious freedom in the Soviet Union. Earlier he issued a statement that "it is hoped...an entering wedge for the practice of complete freedom of religion is definitely on its way" in Russia.

### Inflation Control

Price Administrator Henderson, speaking in New York, said that the country is now experiencing the "jagged, irregular price advances" with which inflation starts. Unless inflation is restricted, he said, it will prevent arming and undermine the priorities system because "the getting of materials will depend not on the buyer's need but the seller's greed." He said a doubling of prices means a reduction in value by 50 percent of every insurance policy, annuity, savings account, pension or other form of savings.

Treasury Secretary Morgenthau speaking in Chicago said the Treasury is anxious to divert into defense stamps and bonds pending produced by pay increases and bonuses. He suggested every Christmas bonus be paid in defense bonds or stamps.

Practically to combat inflation, the President plans to ask Congress to extend the Social Security program to 80,000,000 persons—double the number now covered. Increased payroll taxes under the program would remove additional

## L. A. Gibson Is Transferred To Forsyth

Lacy A. Gibson, Supervisor of the farm security administration in this county, has been transferred to Forsyth county, headquarters in Winston-Salem.

Gibson is replaced by Samuel C. Winchester, who came here from Guilford county.

## Bridge Club Entertained

Mrs. Charlie Martin and Mrs. J. C. Wall entertained at two tables of bridge last Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Martin. High score award went to Marjorie Pepper.

A dessert course was served to the following guests:

Mrs. R. J. Scott, Mrs. W. E. Joyce, Mrs. Thurman Martin, Mrs. Robah Smith, Marjorie Pepper, Ellen Pepper and Lois Stephens.

### Taxation

Treasury Secretary Morgenthau in his Chicago speech, also said defense expenditures are "inadequate" and the 1941 tax bill was "a good start" but not large enough to raise the necessary revenue, check inflation or take the profit out of war. He said the U. S. is trying to be the arsenal of democracy by devoting only 20 percent of factory and mining output to defense, only 30 percent of durable goods produced, only 16 percent of national income.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue announced it will prosecute dealers attempting to make large profits by misrepresenting the new Federal taxes as larger than they are or by pretending to absorb the taxes themselves when actually passing them on to the consumer.

### Farming Out

OPM Contract Distribution Division Director Odum called on smaller manufacturers to "drum up a subcontract on your own, if possible," and asked larger manufacturers to pass on their backlog of work to small concerns facing shutdown for lack of civilian materials or defense orders. Bradley D. Nash, of the Financial Section of OPM's Contract Distribution Division, told the American Bankers Association in Chicago the Division field offices will be prepared to consult and advise prime subcontracting groups and their financial representatives to inform them of availability of properly equipped subcontractors, location machinery and other equipment which may be required. Mr. Odum has said as many as 200 offices might be opened.

Under Secretary of Navy Forrestal instructed all bureaus and offices of the Navy and the Marine Corps in ways to help spread Navy defense work among smaller manufacturers.

### Ships

The Navy announced 38 keels

## Collection Record Is Excellent For W. S. P. C. A

Repayments by members of the Winston-Salem Production Credit Association during the first two weeks of the tobacco sales have been very gratifying, L. E. Francis, reported today. One hundred eighty-two members have repaid their loans in full and 267 other members have made partial repayments. The total collection for the year are \$46,942.41.

During the year the association financed the operations of 641 members in the amount of \$152,450, Mr. Francis said. Since the association began operation in 1931 it has served its 1100 members in the amount of \$958,313. It has established a reserve of \$17,638.22 and has experienced no losses or charge-offs during the entire period.

The association is chartered under the Farm Credit Act of 1933 and makes loans to farmers and stockmen for general agricultural purposes, including the purchase of fertilizer, feed, food, farm machinery, and livestock; the cost of repairing buildings, of erecting fences; the payment of labor cost in connection with the farm operations; and the payment of indebtedness already incurred in the farm business.

The association has its headquarters in the Trade Street Branch Wachovia Bank Building, Winston-Salem, and embraces the following counties: Alleghany, Ashe, Davidson, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes and Yadkin.

Miss Ellen Prather Hall left last week for Lynchburg, Va. where she has accepted a position.

were laid and 26 ships launched from September 1 to October 3. The Department predicted "even greater acceleration in October." The Maritime Commission chartered two ships to the Irish Free State to be under Irish flag with Irish crews, and chartered three more to carry nitrates to the U. S. from South America.

### Army

Lieutenant Gen. McNair, director of the Louisiana maneuvers, blamed officer leadership for "a mess of faults"—including weak discipline—revealed in the war games. He said leadership would be improved by removal of unqualified officers but this does not mean there will be a "purge." War Secretary Stimson denied rumors there is a plan to reduce the Army's man-power to free more equipment for Britain and Russia. He said "our Army has an enormous task that is no longer confined to the defense of the U. S. but has the work of manning a large line of outposts." He noted present Army strength is merely 14 percent of U. S. population and about the size of the quickly-defeated armies of Holland and Belgium.

## King News

—Practically all crops produce well in this section—Oct. 9—Mrs. R. S. Helsebeck who has been very sick in a Winston-Salem hospital is reported much improved.

W. R. Blackmoore has returned to his home at Warsaw after visiting his son, Rev. J. H. Blackmoore, on West Main street.

A number of people from here attended the East Bend fair last week. They reported a nice fair. Garland Gunter who recently went to California is taking training in an air plane school.

Miss Cora Boles has returned to her home, Lone Oak Farm, after visiting relatives at Monroe, Va. She was accompanied home by her niece, Miss Kathryn Boles who will spend some time here.

William E. Wright is opening up a telegraph school at Mount Airy. This will be the only school of the kind east of the Ohio river. There is said to be a growing demand for telegraph operators. Mr. Wright who is a retired telegraph operator was reared near here.

The following persons underwent tonsil removal operations here last week:

Mrs. Carl Mooney of Siloam, Miss Hazel Flynn of Pinnacle, Koke Forrest of East Bend and Miss Barbara Anne Spainhour of Rural Hall.

T. D. Tuttle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Tuttle of Rural Hall who is serving in the United States Medical Corps and who has been stationed at Camp Lee, Va. has been ordered to report to the Panama Canal Zone for duty. Tuttle is waiting a vessel in Brooklyn, New York.

The stork makes about an average report for last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tucker a son, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Voss a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Wall a son and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lawson a son.

D. W. Johnson of Ocean City, N. J. is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. O. Johnson near here.

Planters returning from the tobacco market are well pleased with the prices obtained for their weed.

Lieutenant and Mrs. David Mitchell are spending a few days with Mr. Mitchell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilkes Mitchell on West Broad street. The Lieutenant who has been stationed at Maxwell Field, Alabama is on his way to New York City from where he will sail for Puerto Rico where he will be stationed. Mrs. Mitchell will join him in Puerto Rico in November.

## Sandy Ridge Community Fair To Be Oct. 24, 25

The annual Sandy Ridge Community Fair will be held October 24 and 25.

Field Day events will be on Saturday, 25th. All schools in the

## GRAND JURY REPORT

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF STOKES

To His Honor, Clarence E. Blackstock, Judge Presiding:

The Grand Jury for the October, 1941, term of Superior Court of Stokes county respectfully submit the following report:

The Grand Jury acted on 40 bills of indictment, 36 of which were found to be true bills, four not true bills. Two bills were continued until next term of court due to lack of witnesses. One presentment was made for the next Grand Jury. Presentments of all criminal nature known to our body were made and acted upon.

A Committee from our body visited the Stokes County Home and found the inmates well cared for and provided with good wholesome food.

A Committee from our body visited the Stokes county Jail and found it in good condition, sanitary and otherwise.

A Committee from our body visited the State Prison Camp and report the prisoners well fed and sleeping quarters kept in good sanitary condition.

A Committee from our body visited the various offices in the Courthouse and found the offices well kept, the records in the Clerk of Court's office are found well kept and all guardian and administrators reports in order.

A Committee of our body visited all the schools in the county and make the following recommendations; and reports:

We find the Reynolds School to be in good condition except for the water supply. We find that the amount of water is not sufficient to supply a school of that size. We recommend that a pump be put in the well. This need should have immediate attention. We find the buses in good condition except the tires. We recommend several new tires.

This school will have to be closed unless the above needs are furnished right away.

We find the Francisco High School to be in good condition except the need of a lunch room window shades and chairs for Primary Grades.

We recommend that more play ground be provided for the children at the Sandy Ridge School.

We find the Meadows School building in need of repair, about ten feet of the foundation is torn out, there being no way for the teachers to keep the children from under the building and getting very dirty. We recommend that this foundation be fixed at once.

We find the Germanton School in fine shape except that the water supply is insufficient due to lack of tank storage. We recommend county will participate.

Fire works and a string band will be the feature events for the closing night.

Everybody come!!

## Lady Democrats Meet Today

Miss Laura Ellington, chairman of the Democratic Women of Stokes county, called a meeting at the courthouse Tuesday night to organize a permanent organization of Democratic Women in this county.

They elected the following officers:

Mrs. Fred Christian, of Francisco, vice-chairman; Miss Marjorie Pepper, secretary, and Miss Luna Taylor, treasurer.

They decided to sponsor a dance in the next few weeks to raise money.

Miss Grace Taylor made the talk of the evening. She started off by saying, "Under normal circumstances all organizations of this kind she would eulogize leaders of the Democratic party, but now we are facing a crisis. She said our greatest task was to awaken our people to the dangers threatening our Democratic institutions. We need to work for unity within our country and get fully behind our President's defense policy. All-out aid to Britain and Russia will probably keep our American soldiers out of war. If we wish to be loyal Democrats we must be loyal Americans. She said with our great President, "We must prepare for war and pray for peace."

A. J. Ellington spoke on the township and precinct organizations.

The following women were appointed chairmen of the various precincts:

Freeman; Mrs. H. L. Gibson, Belevs Creek; E. Walnut Cove; Mrs. E. L. Bailey; W. Walnut Cove; Mrs. Sam Tuttle; Pine Hall; Mrs. S. R. Gibson; Dillard; Mrs. Phil Dunlap; Madison; E. Sandy Ridge; Mrs. H. F. Ziglar; W. Sandy Ridge; Mrs. Taze Priddy; Tilley's; Mrs. Bob Simmons; Lawsonville; Mrs. P. H. Robertson; Moir; Mrs. Annie Christian; Frans; Mrs. Tom Christian; Pinnacle; Mrs. S. C. Westmoreland; King; Mrs. C. T. McGee; Mt. Olive; Mrs. Roy Redding; Mizpah; Mrs. George Barr; Germanton; Mrs. Ed Graven; Danbury; Miss Marjorie Pepper; Hartman; Mrs. H. G. Alley; Flinty Knoll; Mrs. P. O. Frye; Brown Mountain; Mrs. T. M. Smith; Ross' Store; Mrs. I. G. Ross.

that this be fixed.

We find the Pine Hall School in good condition, but find the rooms crowded, and buses overloaded.

We find the Capella School in good condition except the water supply is insufficient which is a dug well and should have immediate attention.

We find the Hawpond School in good condition but are in need of a water cooler for the children, they have no running water and have to use buckets and dippers.

Respectfully submitted;  
J. E. MITCHELL.