

GERMANS CLAIM BIG BRITISH BATTLESHIP

Next Year's Crop Allotments Announced Same As For 1939, With Few Particular Changes

Payments In Some Cases To Be Less

Acreeage Goals Lowered For Tobacco But Same For Cotton; Wheat Quotas Larger But Payments Less; Corn Is Cut.

Washington, Nov. 28.—(AP)—The Agricultural Adjustment Administration today set the 1940 goal for...

The acreage goal was lowered slightly and the payments to cooperating farmers set at ten cents a bushel compared with nine cents this year.

Cotton acreage was unchanged, but the rate lowered to 1.6 cents a bushel from 1.8 cents.

Acreeage goals were raised also for peanuts and burley, flue-cured tobacco and dark air-cured tobacco.

At normal yields, officials said, the 1940 program would provide ample...

FDR's Wife Not Likely To Testify

Washington, Nov. 28.—(AP)—Representative Starnes, Democrat, Alabama, acting chairman, said today...

In the absence of Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texas, who was at home...

Should Mrs. Roosevelt testify, she would set a precedent in congressional...

Insistent Demands Heard For Federal Expense Cut

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Nov. 28.—Senator Arvo B. Adams of Colorado is not the only senator who has expressed...

When an executive outfit has calculated how much it needs to carry it through an ensuing fiscal year it turns its figures over to the budget bureau.

Suppose the Navy Department, illustratively, makes an application for a financial allowance. It's a department which is answerable directly to the White House.

These demands for public money, Republican lawmakers are expected to...

They Seek Her Immortality



Here is Baby Jean, the five-months-old baby adopted by James B. Schafer, master metaphysician, who predicts that if plans work out Jean will live forever.

British Navy Cleared Out, Germans Say

Its Threat Removed From North Sea And North Atlantic, Berlin Experts Claim; Supremacy in Air Over France, England Claimed.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—(AP)—The British fleet, in the opinion of German military experts, now has been cleared, not only from the North Sea, but also from the North Atlantic.

Authoritative commentators said that the British "auxiliary cruiser" Rawalpindi, destroyed in a naval engagement off the coast of Iceland, was discovered absolutely alone between the Faroe Islands and Greenland.

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Asheville Is Host Tomorrow to FDR

Asheville, Nov. 28.—(AP)—White House secret service agents worked out final details here today for the visit to Asheville tomorrow of President Roosevelt, who will stop here enroute from Warm Springs, Ga., to Washington.

The President is expected to arrive here at 6:10 p. m. tomorrow and will depart at 8 p. m. He will visit Marvin McIntyre, one of his secretaries, and Miss Margaret Durand, former secretary of the late Louis Howe.

Horton Scoffs At Rumor Of Withdrawal

In the Sir Walter Hotel, Daily Dispatch Bureau.

Raleigh, Nov. 28.—Rumors that he will withdraw from his unannounced candidacy for the governorship drew from Lieutenant Governor Wilkins P. Horton, here on business, a denial that he will be influenced in his decision by "what this group, or that group or any other group does about my running."

"I am still in the race as much as I ever was," was the somewhat oracular summing up of the Horton statement with reference to the reports.

Naturally this settles nothing whatsoever as to the certainty of the Horton intentions. He has never said for publication that he is in the race. He has never said he isn't. From all of which there can be logically deduced one of two conclusions, to-wit: (1) Horton will run for governor, or (2) Horton will not run for governor.

That's where we came in, and it seems that no matter how long we hang around, that's just about where we land in speculating on this governorship race.

There was one thing, though, standing out clearly and distinctly in the lieutenant governor's talk and demeanor. He isn't going to quit the race because he fears he will not have administration support. That's where the part about not letting himself be influenced by "what any group does" comes into the picture.

The Number Two Tar Heel is a rather positive and steadfast person, even his political opponents concede that, and he spoke with an air of...

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Big Cruiser Torpedoed, Berlin Says

London Denies Sinking in Note to Editors Declaring There Is no Truth in "Rumor"; Warships Admittedly Lost Listed.

Berlin, Nov. 28.—(AP)—The German high command announced today that a British heavy cruiser had been torpedoed and destroyed in the North Sea east of the Shetland Islands by the same submarine commander whose sinking of the battleship Royal Oak October 14 made him a German national hero.

A communique said the British vessel was of the London class—32-knot ships of nearly 10,000 tons. It named Lieutenant-Captain Guenther Prien, 31-year-old U-boat commander, who slipped into Scapa Flow past British mine fields and obstructions to sink the Royal Oak as skipper of the submarine, which torpedoed the cruiser.

Meanwhile, the German press still was citing the sinking of the British armed merchantman Rawalpindi November 23 off the coast of Iceland as evidence of German mastery of the North Atlantic.

The London, one of four sister ships, displaces 9,850 tons, carries eight 3-inch guns, and has a normal complement of 650 men.

Britain has acknowledged the loss of eight warships since the start of the war: The armed merchant cruiser Rawalpindi, the destroyer Gypsy, the aircraft carrier Courageous, the battleship Royal Oak, and an unnamed destroyer; the submarine Oke, the auxiliary vessel Northern Rover, and the mine sweeping trawler Staffin.

Britain has acknowledged damage to the 9,100-ton cruiser Southampton in an air raid on the Firth of Forth October 1, and the 10,000-ton cruiser Belfast November 21 by...

Lawyers In Wordy Duel In Kuhn Case

New York, Nov. 28.—(AP)—Assistant District Attorney Herman J. McCarthy, summing up for the State today at the larceny trial of Fritz Kuhn, He attacked Kuhn's counsel, Peter L. Sabbatino, as "a caliban of ethics."

McCarthy replied to Sabbatino's intimation, made yesterday, that McCarthy kept a "tryst" in Miami with Mrs. Florence Camp, the "golden angel" of Kuhn's love letters. Mrs. Camp testified for the State.

"This caliban of ethics hasn't yet learned the prime requisite of a gentleman or a lawyer—decency," the young prosecutor declared, looking directly at Sabbatino, a former city magistrate.

Sabbatino argued in his summation yesterday that Kuhn, though he might have fallen in love with Mrs. Camp, was not the first married man to fall in love with another woman. But McCarthy told the jury he would keep to the records.

The State, he said, charged that Kuhn stole \$500 listed in the bond ledgers as having been paid to James D. C. Murray, lawyer, for services in a criminal action against bond members.

Kuhn is also accused of stealing \$717.02 which the State contends paid Mrs. Camp's moving expenses.

22 SHOPPING DAYS TILL Christmas. Illustration of a man with a shopping bag.

Weather FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair tonight and Wednesday not much change in temperature.

Sea Lanes Are Free And Open Despite Activity Of Germans, King George Assures Empire

U. S. Increases Air Defenses



National Guardsmen of Battery D, 212th Coast Artillery, load one of three new anti-aircraft guns added to New York City's defenses, during winter practice at Fort Tilden. The government has ordered 325 of the three-inch weapons, which fire thirty 28-pound shrapnel projectiles a minute, each containing 253 half-inch lead pellets.

Finland Will Negotiate But Won't Capitulate

Answer to Soviet Demands For Troop Withdrawals From Border Leaves Door Open; Offers to Retire if Russians Do Also.

Helsinki, Nov. 28.—(AP)—Finland left the door open today for arbitration of growing differences with Soviet Russia, while apparently determined to refuse her mighty neighbor any one-sided concessions which might jeopardize her own defenses.

Denying alleged "hostile actions" toward Russia, the government last night notified Moscow it is ready to meet Soviet demands for withdrawal of Finnish troops along part of their common border, on condition that red army forces likewise retire.

In a note addressed to the Kremlin, Foreign Minister Elias Erkkko suggested that the proposal be referred to a joint commission established in 1936 to consider frontier problems. Erko's note replied to an ultimatum-like message from Soviet Premier-Foreign Commissar Molotov protesting an alleged "border incident" Sunday, in which the Russians said 13 red army soldiers were killed or wounded by Finnish artillery fire on the Karelian isthmus.

Molotov requested that Finnish...

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Man Who Invented Basketball Passes Of Heart Disease

Lawrence, Kans. Nov. 28.—(AP)—Dr. James A. Naismith, 78, inventor of basketball, died at 1:50 a. m. today of heart disease following a cerebral hemorrhage.

Dr. Naismith, professor emeritus of physical education at Kansas University, suffered a critical hemorrhage November 19, but rallied and returned home from a hospital last Wednesday. He was stricken again Friday with a heart attack.

With two peach baskets as equipment, Dr. Naismith originated basketball in 1891 as a winter sport for youth at the Springfield, Mass., Y. M. C. A. training school. There were nine men on a team and baskets were on the floor. Later, he elevated the baskets, reduced the number of players and established rules which have been changed but little in the intervening years.

Parliament Is Opened By Monarch

Blockade Against German Exports Delayed Few Days; Rationing Not to Start Until After Christmas; Finnish Row Worries.

London, Nov. 28.—(AP)—King George assured the British Empire today that the Royal Navy was keeping the sea lanes free and open, despite the sinking of the armed British merchantman Rawalpindi by two German warships, and recent heavy shipping losses.

The monarch's assurance was given in a speech opening the first war session of Parliament as the conflict with Germany brought these developments:

1. An authoritative statement said that application of the British-French blockade against German exports would be delayed until December 4 and perhaps a week longer to soften the blow to neutral shippers.

2. Britain manifested concern over the Finnish-Soviet frontier dispute.

3. It was announced that a British auxiliary cruiser, loaded with 73 German prisoners, including 12 officers, at a Scottish port; they were understood to be the survivors of a sunken sub-

Blockade Of Germany Is Tightened Up

London, Nov. 28.—(AP)—The British government tonight issued a formal order in council extending the naval blockade to Germany's exports, effective December 4. The order is entitled: "Reprisals restricting German commerce."

The delay in application of the order, which was signed by King George yesterday, was understood to give neutral shippers an opportunity to make arrangements to avoid undue hardships.

The new order provides that a merchant vessel which sails from an enemy port or other port after December 4, and "having on board goods which are of enemy origin, or are enemy property, may be required to discharge such goods in a British or Allied port."

Such goods will be placed in custody of the marshal of a prize court, and, unless the court orders that they be requisitioned for the use of His Majesty, shall be detained or sold under direction of the court. The proceeds of goods so sold shall be paid into the court.

RUSSIA BREAKS FINNISH TREATY

Helsinki, Nov. 28.—(AP)—A foreign office spokesman announced tonight that Russia had denounced her non-aggression pact with Finland in a note handed to the Finnish minister in Moscow.

Soviet Russia and Finland concluded their non-aggression pact in 1932, and supplemented it the following year with an agreement defining an aggressor. Subsequent pacts in 1937 and 1938 pledged them to good neighbor relations, and defined the Finnish-Soviet frontier.

The Soviet action, though received with outward calm by the foreign office, shocked Finland more than any other single step in the "war of nerves," which mounted in the Baltic region after the German-Soviet partition of Poland. A spokesman said the Russian note was "very unconciliatory" but declined further comment while the...

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