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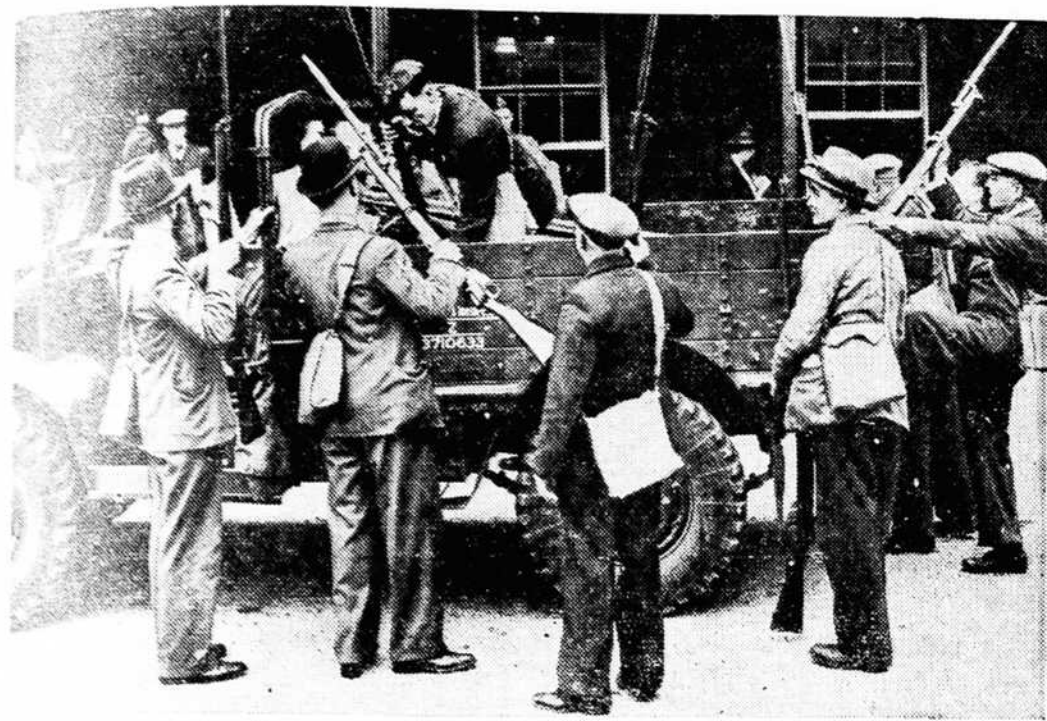
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Over-Age Veterans Back on Duty



Older war-age veterans of the World War are being equipped with arms throughout England as fears of an invasion by Germany of the British isles. Here, ex-servicemen are given rifles to guard vulnerable spots around London and, if they should appear, to shoot down Nazi parachute troops. (Central Press)

Appropriations Sped Toward Senate Action

Funds Would Be Provided Immediately

Usual Restrictions Regarding Availability of New Appropriations Are Removed By Amendment In Sub-Committee.

Washington, May 18.—(AP)—Disposing of the usual restraint on when appropriations may be spent an appropriations sub-committee sped \$127,907,244 toward the Senate today after inserting amendments to make the full sum available for emergency defense purposes as soon as the measure becomes law.

The measure as approved by the sub-committee carried both emergency funds and emergency appropriations which by President Roosevelt today as part of his emergency powers to rearm the nation. Emergency funds totaling \$127,907,244 to be made available as the President's own discretion.

The funds would not be available until the beginning of next year July 1, but Senate action on the amendment would make the funds available as soon as the President signed the bill.

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Governor Hoey Grants Paroles

May 18.—(AP)—Two prisoners sentenced for second degree murder and five short term sentences were paroled today by Governor Hoey. The prisoners were sentenced for slayings were: William Lee, sentenced in Johnston in August, 1932, and Paul Lee, sentenced in Harnett county in 1933. The prisoners included William Lee, sentenced last October in Johnston for seduction and sentenced in 1934; Jack Newkirk, sentenced in November in Duplin for manufacturing liquor and sentenced in 1935.

Pétain Becomes Vice Premier In French Cabinet

Paris, May 18.—(AP)—In a sudden reconstruction of the French cabinet Premier Paul Reynaud took charge of the war ministry and named Marshal Henri Pétain, world war hero, vice premier and Edouard Daladier foreign minister. A communique from the Premier's office said the changes were made in the interest of combining political and military leadership in one man—Premier Reynaud. The premier will be assisted by Marshal Pétain in his leadership.

Fertilizer Companies Appeal Ruling

Winston-Salem, May 18.—(AP)—Attorneys for Swift and Company and International Agricultural Corporation this morning gave notice of appeal of the decision of Judge John J. Hayes, deaying them a temporary injunction in the fertilizer case.

Julius W. Cone Died Today

Greensboro, May 18.—(AP)—Death early today ended the career of Julius W. Cone, 67, prominent textile manufacturer and insurance man. He became ill six days ago. Cone, a native of Baltimore, Md., had been a member of the city council for 17 years. He was chairman of the board of the Cone Export and Import Company, vice president of the Proximity Manufacturing Company, and a director of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company.

State Democratic Platform Does Little But "Point With Pride", Averill Summarizes

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, May 18.—A governor's race practically devoid of issues is reflected quite truly in a state Democratic platform which does little except "point with pride" to achievements of the past. There are 17 general paragraphs and a conclusion to the platform adopted Friday; but in the entire document there are only three "pledges" and one "recommendation" for the future. Elsewhere it is a matter of "endorsing" or "commending" or "congratulating." Of all the paragraphs only one begins with a definite, fixed "pledge" to advocate anything whatsoever—and that one constitutes a paper victory for the West, a victory which was assured by reason of the fact that nobody could possibly vote openly against obeying a constitutional mandate. The one paragraph in question is brief and to the point. "We pledge our representatives and senators in the General Assembly to re-apportion legislative representation according to the census of 1940, regardless of what counties stand to gain or lose by thus complying with this constitutional mandate." Even here, when the section was brought up in the platform committee, former State Senator Charles Wheelbee remarked, "I'm agin' it," though he did not go so far as to record a negative vote when adoption of the section was the formal question.

Oregon For Third Term

Primary Vote is 7 to 1 For Roosevelt Over Garner; McNary Gets Big Ballot.

Portland, May 18.—(AP)—Oregon Democrats recommended President Roosevelt for a third term today. The President swept past Vice President Garner 7 to 1 in yesterday's presidential primaries to win the state's ten delegates to the Democratic national convention. Republicans presented Senator Charles McNary, Oregon, a greater presidential nomination endorsement than the combined Democratic count for Roosevelt and Garner. He tallied 36,124 in 666 precincts.

Local Men To T. P. A. Offices

High Point, May 18.—(AP)—A. T. Wishart of High Point was elected president of the North Carolina Division of the Travelers Protective Association of America and Wilson was selected as the 1941 convention city in the closing session of the state convention here today. Other officers elected included E. G. Shaw, Henderson, first vice president; Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, Henderson, chaplain; H. D. Bunch, Raleigh, second vice president; J. A. Kimbrough, Winston-Salem, third vice president; W. B. Martin, Winston-Salem, fourth vice president; W. H. Gay, Rocky Mount, fifth vice president; R. P. Rawley, Winston-Salem, secretary-treasurer; Shelby B. Caviness, Greensboro, attorney.

AMERICANS ADVISED TO LEAVE TURKEY

Ankara, May 18.—(AP)—The United States embassy today advised American nationals to leave Turkey as soon as possible.

Antwerp Falls Before German Drive; In South, Nazis Are Within Sixty Miles Of Paris

Nazis Widen Pocket In Maginot Line

Germans Estimated to Be Using Between 2,500 and 3,000 Tanks; Allied Mechanized Units Now Meeting Enemy.

Paris, May 18.—(AP)—The Germans, hurling wave after wave of tanks into the stiffening French lines, today widened the pocket they had carved out in the great battle in northern France but at the expense of what the French called "tremendous casualties." The French met the onrush in the Vervins and Avesnes sectors on the western side of the pocket with massed artillery fire, doggedly determined infantry and their own heavy mechanized units.

The Germans were estimated to be using between 2,500 and 3,000 tanks in the French pocket and French artillery at some places was firing pointblank at the lumbering monsters. Great numbers of these, accompanied by masses of planes and followed by lighter units and infantry, were striking through the Vervins region toward the Oise river and through the Avesnes region toward the Sambre river.

The French reported the German progress was only "slight" in the Avesnes sector. The principal effort seemed to be around Vervins, where French artillery not only was pouring shells against the German tanks but French mechanized units were also attacking. The French command said that after the experience of the last few days the French had learned how to deal with the German tank onslaughts.

GERMAN CIVILIANS DIE IN AIR RAID

Berlin, May 18.—(AP)—DNB, official German news agency, reported today that 29 civilians were killed and 51 injured in an air raid on Hamburg last night. A number of houses and other buildings were reported damaged.

BELGIAN FORCES AT NAMUR HOLD GROUND

Paris, May 18.—(AP)—The Belgian forces at Namur are still holding out, Havas French news agency reported today in a dispatch from "somewhere in Belgium." King Leopold was reported to have sent the city's defenders a message calling on them to "resist to the end for the fatherland."

France Orders Extension Of Working Hours

Paris, May 18.—(AP)—The French government, striving to combat Germany's admitted superiority in the air on the western battle front, today ordered a 12-hour work day for all aviation industries. A decree by the air ministry said that "because of the present circumstances" all industries working directly or indirectly on aviation orders must not only start working 12 hours a day but Sundays and holidays as well. Some air industries up to now have been working a 10-hour, six-day week.

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy, slightly warmer northwest and extreme west portions tonight; Sunday mostly cloudy followed by showers and cooler in west and north central portions in afternoon or at night. FOR THE WEEK. Showers and cooler Sunday night and Monday and again near end of week; fair with normal temperatures during middle period.

Moves France's Army



Gen. Alphonse Georges Transforming France's army of position into an army of movement to meet the German blitzkrieg is reported the work of General Alphonse Georges, commander in chief of the French army in the field. Dispatches say Georges soon may play an even bigger part in French military affairs.

Invasions Denounced

United States and Twenty American Republics Join in Declaration Message.

Montevideo, Uruguay, May 18.—(AP)—The United States and the 20 other American republics have gone on record with an official denunciation of Nazi Germany's invasions of neutral countries. Uruguay drafted the declaration. It was sent to all the other republics, by the foreign minister and last night Chile and Nicaragua sent in unreserved approvals to make it unanimous.

Montevideo had a man-in-the-streets manifestation of the country's sentiments when demonstrators marched through the streets last night shouting "down with Hitler!" x x x Several mounted police were hurt by stones when they sought to disperse the demonstrators. Several shot, were fired into the air, a German-owned cafe was stoned.

In Buenos Aires at about the same time there was an anti-allied demonstration. German sympathizers shouted "down with England," "down with France." Four noise bombs were exploded, doing negligible damage to the tracks of the British-owned street car companies.

Army Maneuvers Take Toll Of At Least 11 Lives

Camp Beaugard, Leva. May 18.—(AP)—At least eleven persons have been killed and about 200 injured in the first two weeks of the United States army war camp maneuvers of 70,000 troops in this section. The latest death was that of Private Marion Caudell, of Headquarters second battalion, 19th field artillery, who was electrocuted yesterday when the radio antenna of his scout car touched a high tension wire.

Antwerp Is Entered After Capture Late Friday Of Brussels

Dutch Army Commander in Zeeland Province Orders Capitulation; More Than 2,000 Dutch and French Captured on Dutch Islands; Main German Army Within 100 Miles of Paris.

Berlin, May 18.—(AP)—Germany's mighty forces raced into strategic Antwerp today, while to the south their left wing thundered to within 60 miles of Paris, authorized sources said, and to the north their right wing sniped up in southern Holland where resistance on islands of Zeeland Province crumbled. Heavy attacks by Nazi warplanes against enemy troops, retreating back under the impact of the on-rushing warriors, were reported by the high command to have turned the allied withdrawal into a retreat which "at a number of places resembled a rout."

Three high points of the pounding drive in the west toward the Belgian and French channel ports facing England and toward Paris stood out in German reports. 1—Advance guards in northern France cut through to within 60 miles of Paris, while the main army is within 100 miles of the French capital.

2—Antwerp was entered today following yesterday's sweep in Belgium which netted Brussels, 28 miles south of Antwerp, and Louvain. 3—The last vestige of Dutch resistance on Walcheren island, part of Zeeland Province, was eliminated as the Dutch army commander offered his capitulation, while on the islands of Schouwen and South Beveland more than 2,000 Dutch and French were captured. After smashing a 62-mile wide hole in northern France in the Maubeuge-Mousmedy region, the German army dashed on madly in a rush for the French capital. The German high command told of the speed and the weight of the drive south of Maubeuge, which is about 120 miles airline northeast of Paris. "South of Maubeuge, German armored forces penetrated French frontier fortifications, dispersed two enemy divisions and pursued the retreating enemy beyond the upper Sambre (river) in a southward direction as far as the Oise (river)."

"Infantry divisions are now closely following up in tremendous marches. Many prisoners among the defeated French troops were made and large supplies captured."

Germans Take Antwerp With Little Effort

(By the Associated Press.) Military men have rated Antwerp as one of the strongest fortifications in Europe. But the Germans say they have captured it now even more quickly than they did in their 1914 drive. Berlin declared it fell swiftly today after the allied line in Belgium had to fall back from the defense of Brussels to preserve contact with the battered allied line in northern France.

Its fall may prove far more costly to the allies in this war than it did in the last. First, it would give the Nazis a new wedge on the North sea coast—the closest they have come yet to the channel ports from which they could launch an aerial blitzkrieg on England. Second, Antwerp provided a strong anchor for the allied northern flank on the western front.

Find Body Of Durham Man

New Bern, May 18.—(AP)—The body of T. H. Holloway, Durham policeman, who was drowned in the Neuse river 18 miles below New Bern last Monday, was recovered this morning. Search was continued for Holloway's two companions—W. J. Croon, Durham safety director, and Policeman Gus Malone, believed drowned while on a fishing trip. He emphasized, however that "there was no question of a break through or of troops retiring in confusion." The British press admitted that the allies are facing "the darkest hour" since 1918 when their world war armies were hovering on the brink of a crushing defeat.

Wallace Acts To Bolster Prices Of Grain Futures

Washington, May 18.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace today asked the nation's grain futures markets to prohibit until further notice all trading in grain futures below the closing prices of today. The request was made after wheat prices had declined more than 25 cents a bushel this week. Wallace explained that the federal government probably was without authority to require cessation of trading in future contracts but he said he felt the market would cooperate. Uncertainty over the European war has been blamed as the major cause of the price losses. Wallace's telegram to the grain exchanges said: "As a temporary protective measure against further price disturbances from current war developments it is requested that the governing board of your exchange effective Monday, May 20, prohibit trading in grain futures until further notice at prices below closing prices on Saturday, May 18."

British Seeking Better Approach To Soviet Russia

London, May 18.—(AP)—Winston Churchill's new win-the-war government was said by a reliable source today to be seeking a "new and more friendly approach" to improvement of relations with Russia. Inclusion of the labor and liberal parties in the new cabinet was said to have paved the way for abandonment of the so-called "stiff necked" attitude toward the USSR credited to former Prime Minister Chamberlain and most of his regime. A softening of press attacks already has been noted.