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War's Fiercest Air Raids Made

17,000 Airplane Engines Purchased For Army And Navy

Formal Contract to Cover the Agreement Reached Today With United Aircraft Corporation; Army Buys 870 Planes.

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—An agreement reached between the United Aircraft Corporation and the War Relocation Authority for the manufacture of airplane engines for both the Army and Navy at a cost of \$160,000,000.

The agreement, the secretary of the War Relocation Authority said, will be completed by the end of the fiscal year. It covers the purchase of 17,000 airplane engines for both the Army and Navy for the fiscal year 1941 and 1942.

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Army Plans Announced

Time Tables and Schedules Ready for Building Nation's Biggest Peacetime Army.

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The War Relocation Authority today announced that it has prepared time tables and schedules for building the nation's largest peacetime army. The program is to be completed by the end of the fiscal year.

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Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday with occasional drizzle and light showers.

New Type Of Leaf Is Free Of Nicotine

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 29.—(AP)—A type of tobacco that looks, smells and tastes like Lucile but is almost completely free from nicotine has been developed by the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station here.

The new type, according to the chemistry department of the University of Kentucky, with which the experiment station is connected, contains on the average only about 2.0 of one per cent nicotine.

Ordinary burley, the department reported, contains about 2 per cent while dark tobacco such as that grown in western Kentucky averages 3 to 4 per cent.

The development of this low nicotine leaf was accomplished by plant breeding and the crossing of types of tobacco in experiments begun in 1935 under direction of Dr. W. D. Valleau, the station's plant pathologist.

Station experts said that if a demand were shown for the new plant hundreds of thousands of pounds could be produced annually just as cheaply as other types.

Tax Bill To House Floor

"Gag Rule" Charged as Drastic Regulations Invoked on Debate and Amendments.

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Invoking procedural regulations so drastic that the call of "gag rule" was heard, the House today took up the complicated excess profits tax legislation which it passed last night.

House leaders agreed to restrict sharply both debate and amendment offers in an effort to assure speedy action on the measure, which has been regarded as vital for faster progress in national defense.

Designed both to prevent "war millionaires" and to grant tax concessions to defense industries, the bill has three major sections: It would levy an excess profits tax of 20 to 50 percent on corporations. It would permit defense industries to deduct from their taxable income over a five-year period the entire cost of facilities installed to handle Army and Navy contracts.

It would suspend existing limitations on the profits to be made on government orders for aircraft and warships.

Representative Cooper, Democrat, Tennessee, one of the bill's managers, estimated that it would yield \$300,000,000 in 1940 and \$900,000,000 annually thereafter.

Their Fight Wins In Senate



Leaders in the Senate drive for passage of the Burke-Wadsworth peacetime conscription bill are shown above in conference just before the final moves which resulted in the passage of the measure last night by a vote of 58 to 31. Left to right are Senators Tom Connally of Texas, Sherman Minton of Indiana, Morris Sheppard of Texas and Edmund Burke of Nebraska. This is a photo caption.

Draft Supporters Muster Forces For Fight In House

George McManus, Once Accused Of Murder, Is Dead

New York, Aug. 29.—(AP)—George McManus, 48, big-time Broadway gambler who once was accused of the murder of Arnold Rothstein, died of heart disease last night at his home in Sea Girt, N. J.

Williamston Fill Wrecked

Modernizing and Repair of Flood-Damaged Highway Expected to Cost Near Half-Million.

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Cost of modernizing and repairing a flood-damaged highway fill and bridge on route No. 17 near Williamston was placed by Chief Highway Engineer W. Vance Baise today at between \$450,000 and \$550,000.

Senator Bailey Warns That Preparedness Will Be Slow Work—Vindicates Leaders

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—The task of putting the United States on a full basis of preparedness for war is likely to be a long one, Senator Josiah W. Bailey believes. But lack of present preparedness and slow progress of the present program is not to be charged to the administration, he thinks.

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The House military committee approved today a Burke-Wadsworth conscription bill calling for drafting of men from 21 to 44 years of age inclusive—a much wider age range than that provided in the bill which the Senate passed last night.

The House committee acted quickly after Senate passage on a 58 to 31 vote, so that its version of the legislation might be brought to the floor Tuesday for possible final House passage late next week.

Chairman May, Democrat, Kentucky, said the House committee vote approving the bill was 29 to 4.

At one point, May said, there was some discussion of a proposal to make the registration and conscription age brackets conform to those of the Senate's 21 through 30 years, but the matter never came to a vote.

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The House today passed a bill for peacetime conscription which would require registration of men from 21 through 30 years of age.

The bill as passed was substantially unchanged in its essentials from the version originally recommended by the Senate military committee. One major addition would give the government the power to "conscript" industry for defense, if necessary.

Patman Charges Unholy Alliance For Propaganda

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Representative Patman, Democrat, Texas, today charged that "unholy alliance" between certain parts of "big business" and the distribution of Nazi propaganda in this country, was told by Chairman Dies that committee agents already were doing so but had "found nothing so far."

Scandal Charge In Navy Fees Paid Robert

Washington, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Senator Bridges, Republican, New Hampshire, called today for the resignation of L. W. (Chip) Robert from his secretaryship of the Democratic national committee, saying that "disclosure" of U. S. Navy fees to the Atlanta firm of Robert & Co. constituted "one of the gravest scandals on the escutcheon of the Roosevelt administration."

Chairman Vinson, Democrat, Georgia, of the House naval committee, (Continued on page two)

Babson Urges Labor To Cooperate In Defense

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En Route to Babson Park, Aug. 29.—Monday is labor's day. Labor has come a long way in the half century since this day was first made a holiday. American workmen are in the most enviable—but most vulnerable—position of those of any nation in the world. I sincerely hope that their blessings—and their dangers—will seriously be considered and discussed on Monday because the future of their blessings depends on the recognition of their dangers.

Portsmouth Left In Flames; Berlin Has Three-Hour Bombing

Wallace To Accept Demo Post Tonight

Des Moines, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace will make his debut as the number one Democratic national election campaigner here tonight when he formally accepts the party's vice presidential nomination.

Talks Begin In Vienna

Axis Foreign Minister Receives Hungarians and Will Confer With Rumanians.

Vienna, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Hungarian and Rumanian delegations, brought to this capital of old Austria by axis "peace makers," communicated the suggestions of Rome and Berlin for a Transylvanian settlement to their governments today after separate two-hour talks with German and Italian foreign ministers.

German spokesmen said "from various signs it can be presumed that perhaps tomorrow concluding results will be reached."

Vienna, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The axis-supervised discussions looking toward a solution of the territorial dispute between Hungary and Rumania opened today as Hungarian Premier Count Teleky and Foreign Minister Count Czakay were received by the German and Italian foreign ministers.

Joachim von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano, the German and Italian ministers, planned to follow up their talks with the Hungarians by holding separate discussions with Rumanian representatives later.

Long talks with each delegation separately indicated that the axis powers were going very thoroughly into the dispute between the two Balkan nations.

High Explosives and Incendiary Bombs Rained on England and Berlin; Censorship Veils Number of Casualties.

(By The Associated Press.) Cannon-blasting royal air force fighters intercepted a wave of 200 Nazi raiders flying at a great height over the southeast coast of England late today—apparently in the Dover region—and drove them back.

The German planes apparently were headed for a mass attack on London or some industrial objective beyond it.

Some of the Nazi airmen penetrated the first coastal defenses and rained incendiary bombs on British capital, but they fled without dropping any bombs when attacked by royal air force pursuit planes.

(By The Associated Press.) German dive bombers smashed at Britain's great naval base of Portsmouth and reportedly left "a sea of flames" today after a night of double-barreled terror for 12,000,000 civilians in the fiercest air raids of the war over London and Berlin.

Untold numbers were killed, and great fires set by incendiary bombs blazed in both capitals.

In a single London district more than 60 fire bombs fell amid tightly jammed rows of houses as a marathon of Nazi raiders pounded the metropolis for seven hours and ten minutes—the fifth straight night attack on London and the longest sustained attack of the war.

British royal air force bombers struck back with a three-hour attack on Berlin before dawn, raining high explosives and incendiary bombs within two miles of Reichsfuehrer Hitler's chancellery and taking a toll of ten known dead and 30 injured.

Roof fires were reported in many sections of the German capital. Craters ten feet wide and five feet deep yawned in street pavement blasted out by 100-pound bombs.

In one London section, four members of a family who had taken refuge in an underground shelter were killed when a bomb scored a direct hit and blew it out of the ground.

The semi-official British Press Association, taking note of the wholesale use of fire bombs, called the raid "the most venomous attack of the war against Britain" and accused Hitler of sending his "fire raiders" to scatter their incendiaries indiscriminately against "towns, villages and open hearths."

Censorship kept secret the number of British casualties and the official statement was only that there were "some deaths."

The Italian high command, meanwhile, reported that fascist planes bombed the Suez canal—Britain's vital life line to her far east colonies

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Five Killed In Explosion

Ten Others Burned in Blast of Petroleum Pipe Line Last Night in Oklahoma.

Buffalo, Okla., Aug. 29.—(AP)—Five men were injured fatally and ten others burned, in a thunderous explosion at a nearby Phillips Petroleum Company pipe line project last night, just ten minutes after the men accepted temporary jobs.

Company officials worked on a theory that a blow torch being used in repairing a leak touched off the blast.

Ten horses also perished. The animals as they died in the flames made "the most terrifying sound I ever heard," said Clyde Storer, 45, one of the four men who suffered critical burns in fleeing the scene.

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