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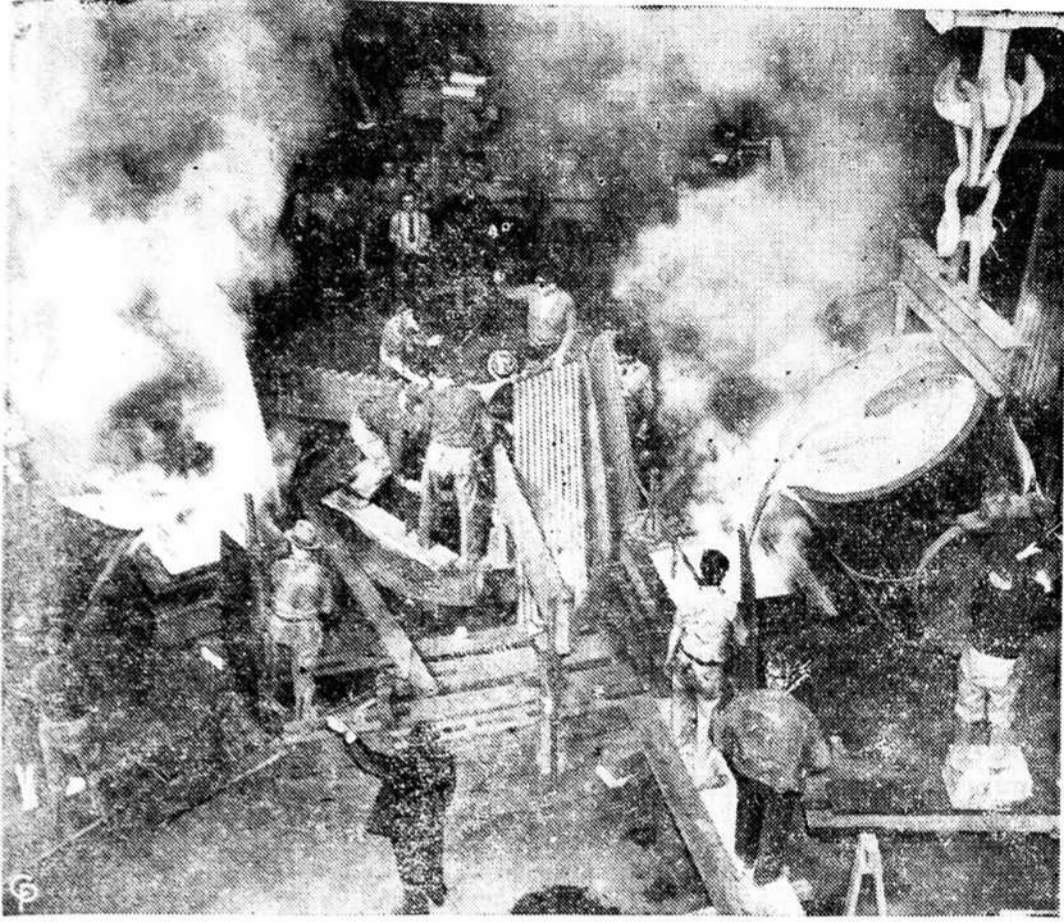
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Casting Propeller for U.S. Dreadnought



In an inferno-like scene of smoke and steam, 60,000 pounds of molten manganese bronze is poured into a form mold to form the first of four propellers for the 45,000-ton battleship *Washington*, being built at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The propeller will weigh 35,000 pounds when completed, the other 25,000 pounds being lost in trimming and polishing.

Japanese Close Hangkew Region

Barricading of Shanghai Area Follows Two Shootings in Which Chinese Are Said To Have Fired at Japanese.

Shanghai, Oct. 11.—(AP)—The Japanese army closed off the Hangkew region from the rest of the international settlement tonight, following two shootings in which Chinese were reported to have fired at Japanese.

Shootings across Soochow creek, between the Japanese-held Hangkew area, were barricaded to prevent police reserves which were sent into Hangkew from the settlement.

The shootings heightened tension in the complex international community already made anxious by reports of renewed Japanese pressure on the result of French and American and British disputes with Japan over distribution of authority in the settlement.

Two incidents tonight's two incidents were reported to have fired at Japanese containing Japanese.

Wide, widespread week-end shooting in the air was reported in the Chinese-Japanese area.

Chinese (Chinese) news agencies reported forces recaptured the Yangtze river port in Kiang province.

Slow Session In Stock Mart

New York, Oct. 11.—(AP)—While market was given a moderate lift in today's market many stocks suffered from neglect.

Trading was negligible throughout the day with gains running to a point where favorites were trimmed near the close. Small minus signs were well distributed.

Industrial Radiator 7 1-4
American Telephone 161
American Tobacco B 75 3-4
Alcoa 22 1-4
Atlantic Coast Line 13 3-8
Chrysler 21 3-8
Packard 19 1-2
General Motors 78 7-8
General Electric 5 1-4
International Harvester 9 3-4
Coca-Cola 5 3-4
Cable News 7 3-4
United Fruit 170
Electric Power Light 4 7-8
General Electric 23 7-8
General Motors 19 3-8
International Harvester 9 3-4
Coca-Cola 5 3-4
Cable News 7 3-4
United Fruit 170

Weather

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Generally fair, slightly warmer in mountains and southeast tonight. Tuesday cloudy, showers at night and possibly in west and central areas in afternoon; cooler tonight.

Nazi Bomber Shot Down

Four - Engined Plane Crippled By Anti-Aircraft Fire; London Has Great Damage.

London, Oct. 14.—(AP)—The first raiders of the German night force scouted London's suburbs tonight after two daylight alarms in which scattered damage was done to the capital and other parts of Britain.

The first planes brought only a few suburban defense guns into action.

Night raiders also were reported over Liverpool again, a northwestern town and a town in the southwest.

London, Oct. 14.—(AP)—A huge four-engined German bomber which flew over a London suburb today was unofficially reported to have crashed after being crippled by anti-aircraft fire.

London had two daylight raid alarms up to mid-afternoon, as German raiders apparently sought to increase the toll of death and damage inflicted last night when the British.

clear and concise, but involve no long-range political program. He told his reporter he will go back to Shelby and resume his practice of law just as soon as he quits the Governor's Mansion.

Quoted as to the possibility he will lose a bid into the senatorial ring against Bob Reynolds in 1944, he exhibited no false modesty, but gave absolutely no indication that he now intends to make that race.

Confirmation Of Dykstra Blocked

Washington, Oct. 14.—(AP)—Immediate confirmation of Clarence A. Dykstra to be director of selective service was blocked today in the Senate by Senator Holt, Democrat, West Virginia, who objected as a "matter of principle."

Holt made his objection despite pleas of Democratic Leader Barkley, Democrat, Kentucky, and Senators Burke, Democrat, Nebraska, and Clark, Democrat, Missouri, that he permit immediate confirmation by unanimous consent.

The chamber then agreed to meet tomorrow to consider the nomination. Unanimous consent will not be required at that time.

Holt said he had no "personal objection" to the appointment of Dykstra, that in fact he considered it to be "one of the good appointments of the President," but that he did not "like the idea of the Senate confirming a man without the people having an opportunity to protest if they so desire."

Hoey Will Retire With Increased Confidence In The People Of The State

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. By HENRY AVERILL.

Raleigh, Oct. 14.—When Governor Clyde R. Hoey goes out of office early next January he will retire with increased confidence in the people of North Carolina.

Nazis And Soviets Strengthen Posts

Italy Hails Triumph At Sea

Win Claimed In Battle Off Malta

Fascists Report Light Warships and Planes Sank One British Cruiser, Damaged Another and Hit Aircraft Carrier.

Rome, Oct. 14.—(AP)—Italy hailed as her second naval triumph of the war a high command claim that eight fascist warships and planes sank one British cruiser, damaged another and hit an aircraft carrier in a violent day night battle off the island of Malta.

The high command admitted the loss of a destroyer and two torpedo boats in the encounter, but claimed victory because, they said, the British loss amounted to 7,000 tons to only 2,600 tons for the fascist force.

(Authoritative sources in London acknowledged the possibility of a Mediterranean clash, but said they had no information to bear out the Italian claims.)

In another communique the high command said British planes had attacked the fort of Porto Lago on Leros, one of the Dodecanese islands in the Aegean, "scoring direct hit on a Catholic church and other civilian buildings and killing altogether 34 persons and injuring 20 without considerable damage to military objectives. Two enemy planes were shot down."

Argentines Back Stand

Newspapers Approve Roosevelt's Columbus Day Address on Hemisphere Defense.

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oct. 14.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's Columbus day address brought editorial approval today.

One newspaper said "the speech was inspired by the ideals of liberty, equality and Christian brotherhood which make the American countries the goal of those who suffer persecution."

"Although we now prepare ourselves to face danger," the paper said, "war has never been the American ideal."

Hitler's Drive to the East



German troop movements through the Balkans have precipitated a crisis which may spread the war all the way to Asia Minor. Embarking at Regensburg (1) Nazi forces are reported making their way down the Danube to Rumania. Two trainloads of military supplies have been observed passing through Maribor (2). Half a dozen troopships have been reported moving past Belgrade (3). At the same time, the German radio carried a report Bulgaria was strengthening her forces on the Greek and Turkish frontiers (4). (Central Press)

North Carolina's Drive For Industries Intended To Avoid War Boom Firms

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Raleigh, Oct. 14.—So far as the Division of Commerce and Industry is concerned, North Carolina's drive for industrial plants will be concentrated on attracting those which will not fold up simultaneously with end of a war, J. T. Anderson, director of this important branch of the Department of Conservation and Development, said today.

Mr. Anderson does not scoff at ammunition making plants, high explosive factories and others which spring up like mushrooms whenever war breaks out or even threatens, but he does feel that it is better economic practice to land a \$5,000,000 plant which will operate, war or no war, than a \$50,000,000 industrial setup which would fold as soon as the last gun is fired.

He therefore is centering the activities of his division in an effort to induce plants for which the state is prepared (textiles for the most part) to handle in peace or in war. He points out that there is in the state a large supply of labor, for instance, appropriate to the textile industry as there is in other states for the industries which may be appropriate there; and he cites figures on government contract awards to show that there is a tremendous opportunity in the textile field alone.

He produced just one day's release of contracts awarded, showing that the War Department placed contracts for no less than \$3,500,000 worth of cotton sheets, cotton mattresses and cotton mosquito nets alone. Sadly enough, there was only one North Carolina firm on the long list of those to which contracts were awarded, and that was the Spray branch of Marshall Field & Co. for a mere \$34,000 worth of cotton mattresses.

Troops Are Mobilized On Danube

German Plans to Build Naval Air Bases Near Constanta Are Reported; British Officials and Civilians Leave.

Bucharest, Oct. 14.—(AP)—Both Germany and Soviet Russia were reported speeding strengthening their military positions in the strategic area near the mouth of the Danube today.

Russia was said to be mobilizing picked troops along the lower Danube between its junction with the river Prut and the Black Sea on the southern border of Bessarabia and to be hurriedly building large gun emplacements along that line.

German plans to build a naval air base near Constanta, Rumania's main Black sea port, were authoritatively reported.

Precautions were made for the arrival of a German naval mission to join the Nazi army airforce and general staff officers already in Rumania. It was said the naval officers would supervise construction of the reported Constanta base.

High ranking Nazi officials continued collaboration with the Rumanian general staff for defense of this kingdom's oil fields. German anti-aircraft guns were reported already set up around the borders of the fields and German fighter planes, air and land forces on hand.

The Germans also were reported supervising construction of anti-aircraft emplacements between the Danube and railroad tracks at Giurgiu, the big Rumanian river oil port.

Nazi Plane Sinks Ship

Long Range Bomber Destroys Armed Merchantman at Sea West of Cadiz, Spain.

Berlin, Oct. 14.—(AP)—A long range German bomber has carried the Nazi air raid assault into the area of Britain's Gibraltar stronghold, destroying an armed merchant ship west of Cadiz, Spain, the German high command reported today.

The "armed" enemy merchant ship, between 3,000 and 4,000 tons, was hit by two bombs in an attack in the "blue region" west of Cadiz, said the high command communique.

Yesterday 15 British planes were destroyed, the daily war statement said, while only one German chaser failed to return to its base.