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## Defense Progress Not Great Enough, Says Patterson

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson told a Senate committee today that the last year had brought "great progress" in American defense production but "the total warfare of the kind raging in Europe today we can never have enough munitions."

Patterson submitted to the Senate defense investigating committee a review of the Army's expansion work during the fiscal year which ended June 30.

"I do not claim," he said, "that America as yet is adequately armed or prepared or that we have become a thoroughly stocked and sufficiently productive arsenal for ourselves and for the other democratic na-

tions as well. But we have gone a good distance."

"Before long the work which we have already done in planning and ordering equipment and in providing manufacturing facilities will produce in ever increasing measure the result which we all desire."

Patterson forecast increasing dilution of the nation's normal peacetime economic machinery as more and more industry is devoted to war.

"I doubt that more than 15 percent of America's productive endeavor is devoted to defense work," he said. "If we expect to equal and surpass other countries, far more of our machines and labor must be placed at the service of the War department and the Navy department."

## Today's Russian Reports Say:

# Germans Hurlled Back

## Daylight Saving Time Asked

### Roosevelt Recommends Federal Law

Governors of Eight Southern States Asked to Cooperate in Saving Electricity; Brought on to Follow Recommendation.

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—President Roosevelt asked Congress today for legislation to provide daylight saving time "upon such a regional or national basis and for such a period of the year as he may deem necessary in the interest of national defense."

The Chief Executive made his recommendation in a letter to Southern Governors and Vice President Wallace, pointing out that the move would result in a predicted reduction of 736,000,000 kilowatt hours in the use of electricity.

Roosevelt also urged letters to all southern governors, calling on them to discuss the move and urging that the country "be freed of all surplus energy."

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—Daylight saving time for North Carolina seemed assured today when Governor Broughton said that he would follow President Roosevelt's recommendation in that regard.

Informing that the President had asked Congress for legislation to provide daylight saving time, the governor said North Carolina would cooperate fully.

### Some of the Nazis' '300,000 Russian Prisoners'



C. P. Radiophoto

According to the caption which accompanied this radiophoto from Berlin, these are some of the 300,000 Russian troops Germany claims to have taken prisoner during the first week of their invasion of the Soviet Union. After three weeks the Germans reported the Stalin Line broken at "all decisive points."

## Nazis Say Operations Progressing

### Red Army Declared to Have Launched Major Offensive Along Dnepr River, Throwing Invasion Forces Back 19 Miles.

(By The Associated Press)— Adolf Hitler's invasion forces were declared to have been hurled back 19 miles, as Russian troops launched a major offensive along the strategic Dnepr river front today, and at the same time the Soviet high command spoke confidently of "the blood-thirsty fascist hordes whom we will now smash."

Hitler's military dispatches said Red troops "launched a counter-attack from the Dnepr river and through the Dnieper valley."

German sources said that a German tank corps menaced the city of Novgorod, 100 miles south of Leningrad, and they added that the ring of steel seemed to be drawing closer to Leningrad itself, second largest city in Russia.

A Soviet war bulletin declared Russian troops had won a victory in the south with the annihilation of two German-Hungarian artillery regiments and a paratrooper regiment driving toward Kiev, capital of the Ukraine.

Coupled with this thrust at the line of communications between the old and new capitals of Russia, the German news agency said Nazi troops had penetrated the entire front line of the Stalin line in the Vistula area north of the Minsk-Moscow axis.

Taken together, these thrusts would indicate two major German breaks through or into the Stalin defense system some 250 miles apart.

The Germans and their infantrymen had tried to capture a communication line (described as the Dnieper) in the east and had a number of prisoners.

The German high command, again using a single sentence to describe the mammoth conflict, declared:

"Operations in the east are steadily progressing."

A Soviet radio from the front, timed 7:40 a.m., Moscow (10 p.m. Monday E.S.T.), said that a Soviet government message told the Russian drive was well under way.

The message reported that Soviet troops had captured the town of Pruzhany, 100 miles northeast of Minsk, and had been the scene of a battle in the night of the tanks and planes.

In contrast to the Russian claim, only the first of German news agency reports of Soviet attempts to break through the Dnieper line had been included in their attack.

## Marshall Deplores One-Year Draft Rule

### Army Chief of Staff Says Specially Trained Army Units Instead of Marines Should Have Occupied Iceland But For Rule.

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—General George C. Marshall, Army chief of staff, was disclosed today to have told Congress that specially trained Army units, instead of Marines, should have occupied Iceland but were prevented from doing so because of difficulties presented by the one-year draft service rule.

Marshall made this statement in testimony given before the Senate military committee July 9 in support of legislation which would be taken up in an active service of defense and National Guardsmen for longer than one year. The testimony was made public by the committee today.

Marshall said his request for authority to retain men for more than a year and removal of restrictions which limit the service of drafted men to the western hemisphere had been misunderstood and misinterpreted.

He specifically denied, as reported in newspaper stories, that he was opposed to the one-year rule.

Unless the present one-year limit is removed, the top ranking Army officer said, "our present trained forces will largely melt away."

"I submit on the basis of cold logic that the virtual disbandment or immobilization of two-thirds of our trained enlisted strength and three-fourths of our trained officer personnel at this time will involve a national tragedy," he said.

Marshall testified that the situation that existed at the time the draft act passed "is quite different from the situation that confronts us today" and reminded the senators that the selective service act provided for one-year training with an extension whenever the Congress would declare the national interest was.

## KNOX TO INSPECT NEUSE AIR BASE

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—The Navy department said Secretary Knox planned to fly to North Carolina Wednesday to inspect the marine corps' new \$15,000,000 Neuse river air station.

The Navy secretary will be accompanied by Maj. Gen. Thomas Holcomb, marine corps commander.

The schedule calls for arrival about 9:15 a. m., at New Bern, N. C., followed by a trip by automobile to Jacksonville, N. C., to inspect a marine tent camp nearby.

## Blast Wrecks Powder Plant

South Acton, Mass., July 15.—(AP)—An explosion, the third in recent months, wrecked a small wooden powder building of the American Cyanamid Corporation today, but officials of the gunpowder company said no one was injured.

The explosion swept the structure after the blast, but the fire apparatus kept the flames under control.

The building was one of several small scattered buildings in which black powder is manufactured. Officials said that although the explosion occurred shortly after the employees reported no one was in the building.

## Cookies for Rookies



Nobody's looking (except the cameraman) so pretty Muriel Beator nibbles a sample of the popular cookies which American Legion Post No. 1199, New York City, is sending to draftees at army camps.

## Pact Called 'Alliance'

### Churchill Says Agreement Does Not Identify Britain With 'Communist Creed.'

London, July 15.—(AP)—Prime Minister Churchill declared today in the House of Commons that the new British-Russian agreement for joint war action against Germany was "an alliance," and that the Russian and British people now were allies.

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## GEORGIANS PLANNING TO ATTEND HEARING ON MARKET OPENING

Atlanta, July 15.—(AP)—Chairman of the Georgia Automobile Dealers Association today said that he and other Georgians would attend a hearing in Durham, N. C., tomorrow seeking to set back the scheduled opening of Georgia tobacco markets from August 8 to August 15.

Lenders said he understood that a delegation from Wilson, Mason and Statebank would appear before the same committee and he urged Georgian growers unable to attend the hearing to telegraph him if they favored postponement of the opening of the auctions.

## 33 Face Trial On Charges Of Espionage

New York, July 15.—(AP)—Thirty-three persons indicted on a Federal Indictment of Espionage today in New York City, including a former federal grand jury foreperson indicted by federal grand jury today on charges of espionage.

Six other persons similarly were indicted, but U. S. Attorney Harold Kennedy said they were at large in foreign countries including Germany and Portugal.

The thirty-three were indicted on conspiracy to transmit information to a foreign government and 22 of these were additionally indicted on a second count of espionage, but the indictment was without name and was accompanied with the State department.

Most of the arrests were made last June 29 in what FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover described as the largest "spy roundup in the history of this country."

## Reduction In Gasoline Consumption Would Prove Unpopular All Around

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—A 20 percent reduction in gasoline consumption in North Carolina would save the State about half a billion dollars in taxes a year, and about twenty million in the year after that, according to a report by the State department.

Yet paradoxically enough, if Harold Cross said that he will receive small thanks, if any, from the very people saving the money and he will get less than none at all from state highway officials whose duty it is to give the state the best roads they can.

The report, prepared by North Carolina, although they are buying more than forty million dollars of

## AXIS AGENTS LEAVE U. S.

### 29 Indicted For Sedition

New York, July 15.—(AP)—The Federal Bureau of Investigation today indicted 29 persons on charges of sedition for helping Axis agents leave the United States.

The indictments were returned by a grand jury in New York City.

The names of the defendants were not disclosed.

### Two Women Die In Crash

Fort Bragg, N. C., July 15.—(AP)—Major Helen E. Davis, 34, and Miss Betty Davis, 28, both of the 8888 Central Postal Directory, were killed today in a crash landing of their transport plane at Fort Bragg.

The crash occurred at 10:30 p.m. while the plane was on a flight from Fort Bragg to England.

### Brought on For Keeping Men In Army

Raleigh, July 15.—(AP)—Governor Broughton today favored retention of the North Carolina National Guard in federal service if necessary as a defense measure.

He added that he also favored keeping selectees in the Army for more than a year if the President deems it necessary in the interest of national defense.

Reports from Washington indicate that retention of the National Guard and selectees in the Army for more than a year would be in the public interest as a matter of national defense.

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### Ship Sails Tonight

New York, July 15.—(AP)—The ship *USS ...* sailed tonight for the Pacific coast.

The ship is carrying a large cargo of war supplies.

The trip is expected to last several weeks.

### Pride of American Merchant Marine Carries Banned Representatives and Families.

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—The U. S. Coast Guard today announced that it had refused to allow a German merchant ship to enter U. S. waters.

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### DEFENSE COUNCIL CHAIRMEN NAMED

Washington, July 15.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today named the members of the Defense Council.

The council will advise the President on all matters relating to the national defense.

The members of the council are: Secretary of War, Secretary of Navy, Secretary of Army, Secretary of War, Secretary of Navy, Secretary of Army, Secretary of War, Secretary of Navy, Secretary of Army.

### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Mostly cloudy with occasional drizzle or light showers tonight; Wednesday partly cloudy with a few scattered showers; slightly warmer in central portion.

Extended weather forecast for the period from 7:30 p. m. July 15 to 7:30 p. m. July 19—Occasional local showers, amounts mostly moderate but heavy in spots; temperatures averaging near normal but slightly rising tendency in northern section at beginning of period.

## Armistice Terms Given

### British Get French Planes, Ships, War Materials in Syrian Peace Agreement.

(By The Associated Press)—All French planes in Syria and Lebanon, all ships on Syrian waters, all war materials in Syrian ports, and the Free French forces of General Charles de Gaulle, "are being repatriated" to France.

While French troops are permitted to return home, some will remain on duty in certain sections to keep order until they are replaced by the British.

The French were granted full military honors by British officers.