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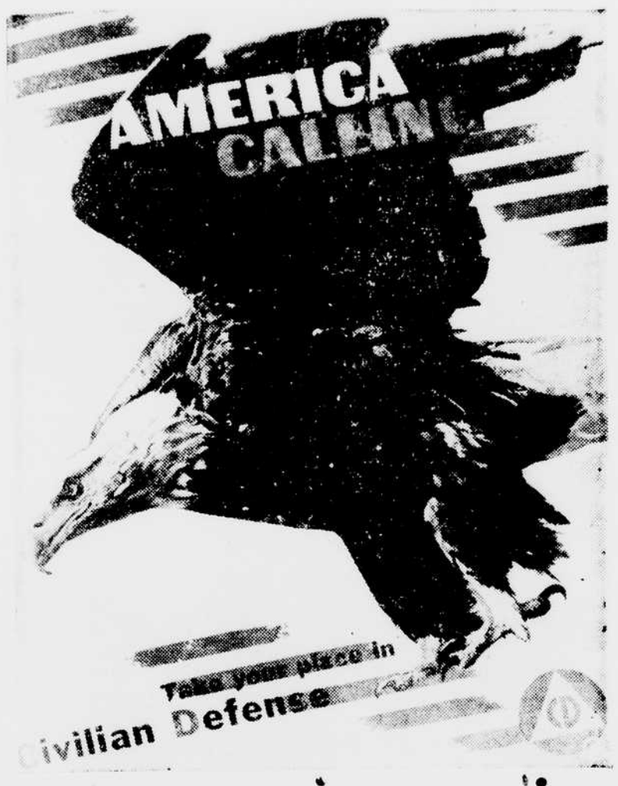
CHURCHILL WARNS THAT WAR MAY SPREAD

Navy Takes Over To End Strike

Civilian Defense Poster



Designed by Herbert Matter, this poster for Civilian Defense Week was made by the Office for Emergency Management in Washington from an actual photograph. Jerry, the American eagle which posed for the poster, is a resident of Washington's National Zoological Park.

Commandant Says Strike Is 'Revolt'

'The Navy Will Take Full Constituted Authority to Suppress This Revolt,' Rear Admiral Blakely Declares.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—The Navy instructed Rear Admiral C. A. Blakely at San Diego today to "take necessary steps to carry work forward" on naval defense construction projects tied up by a strike of building trades workers.

Meanwhile, Admiral Blakely issued a statement in which he termed the strike "open revolt against the United States government."

"The Navy will take full constituted authority to suppress this revolt, the admiral said.

"Labor leaders have refused to abide by their national organization's agreement with the Navy and in today's continued stoppage of work they now are defying only one contractor—the United States government.

"The Constitution of the United States grants to its citizens the right to free assemblage, but that sacred document does not permit individuals to bludgeon the United States government. And I fully intend to see that certain San Diego labor leaders do not bludgeon the United States Navy."

The strike of some 3,500 workers on eleven military projects involving approximately $35,000,000 in contracts was declared by the Navy to be in defiance of American Federation of Labor no-strike agreements.

Reviewing the negotiations leading up to the walkout, the Navy said that the "Department takes the position that there is no alternative but to inform the commandant that the work must go forward with such labor as can be obtained for the purpose."

Admiral Blakely, commandant of the eleventh naval district, has been authorized to take title to all mater-

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Stone Age Gift

Movie star Martha Scott was elated at being presented with a rare necklace of Paleozoic period stone crosses from the Geology Department of Madison College, Harrisonburg, Va. The crosses are estimated to be 190,000,000 years old.

Hull-Kurusu Parley May End Trouble

Two Senators Says Differences Between United States and Japan Could be Adjusted if Peaceful Views.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—Two members of the Senate foreign relations committee—Thomas, Democrat, Utah, and Capper, Republican, Kansas—voiced the opinion today that differences between this country and Japan could be adjusted in the forthcoming conversations between state department officials and Saburo Kurusu, special envoy from the Japanese government.

The talks are scheduled to begin next week. Kurusu already has been reported pessimistic about their chances for success. The special envoy is enroute here by Pacific Clipper, bringing with him Tokyo's formula for removal of the existing points of friction between the two nations. This formula, the Japanese press has been hinting, may be something in the nature of an ultimatum.

Neither Thomas—who is regarded as a Senate authority on Japanese-American relations—nor Capper had any idea that this government would give diplomatic ground to Kurusu. They agreed in separate interviews, however, that Japan was in no position to undertake war against the United States over differences that could be settled amicably.

On the other hand, Senator

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Vet Turns 100

George S. Carpenter

Reported to be the oldest World War veteran in the United States, George S. Carpenter was feted by his buddies of the Rutherford, N. J., American Legion Post No. 109, on his 100th birthday.

(Central Press)

Would Back U. S. Move In Pacific

Churchill Address, on Eve of Armistice Anniversary, Highlights Higher Tempo in War and Increased Tension in Orient.

(By The Associated Press)

With Russia battling for life against new German threats, Britain in a great aerial offensive to relieve pressure on her ally, and the whole Orient shattered by threats of wider war, Prime Minister Churchill warned today that the struggle soon may engulf "the remaining fourth of the globe."

This note he struck on the eve of the 23rd anniversary of armistice of a war that was to have ended wars.

This came in an address at the annual ceremony which marks the induction of a new lord mayor for the city of London.

"If the United States should become involved in war with Japan," Churchill said, "the British declaration would follow within the hour."

This hint of a growing initiative by Britain came amid the strained Japanese-United States relations which a special envoy flying to Washington seeks to ease.

Almost as Churchill addressed his cheering London audience, the United States ambassador to Britain, John G. Winant, in a speech at Plymouth declared that the first premise in fighting "an enemy who is ruthlessly determined on world conquest" is to "fight him on ground you choose rather than on ground he chooses."

Leningrad which Adolf Hitler boasted he could storm and capture whenever he wished to, was being enfolded by two wide-swinging encirclement offensives of the Germans—a bit of grand strategy dictated apparently by the chance that Finland might step out o fthe war before Hitler is ready.

The Hitler command announced capture of the important traffic junction of Tikhvin, about 100 miles southeast of Leningrad, by a force moving across the Leningrad-Moscow communications zone.

The other arm of the offensive, from the northeast over Karelian Isthmus approaches won by the Finns, was disclosed in advices reaching London.

Fierce fighting on the Crimean front with Russians under aerial and artillery bombardments at the port of Sevastapol and Kerch was indicated in various dispatches.

The Moscow radio, saying German reserves were moving up again before the Soviet capital, forecast a renewal of the central front drive and added: "Our troops are ready."

The royal air force struck at Germany and German-occupied zones ecornight, chiefly at Hamburg, for the third night in a row.

A London authority said more than 100 planes took part and two were lost. It was part of a week-end aerial offensive aimed at German positions from occupied Norway to the Mediterranean.

No Week-End Letup In RAF Offensive

Over One Hundred Planes Concentrate Attack on Hamburg in Raids Continuing Greatest Aerial Offensive of War.

London, Nov. 10.—(AP)—Britain's greatest air offensive against Germany and German-occupied territories, begun Friday night with the greatest attack of the war, continued without letup over the week-end and was concentrated on Hamburg, the air ministry announced today.

The city was plastered with high explosive and fire bombs by big royal air force bombers, it was said.

The word was the fifth that British planes have made on the industrial center and second largest city of Germany since the war began and informed sources called it "successful."

The German ports of Cuxhaven and Emden and the German-occupied French port of Dunkerque also were raided, these sources said, asserting that all but two of "over 100" British planes participating had returned to their bases.

The was a smaller air armada than those sent out in recent nights, but it was explained that bad weather early in the night had curtailed operations.

Nevertheless, large fires were said to have been started among German docks.

Except for a daylight lull yesterday, British planes were reported on the attack almost every hour of the day and night during the week-end.

REDS HALT GERMANS BEFORE SEVASTOPOL

Berlin, Nov. 10.—(AP)—Desperate Russian counter attacks have brought the German advance on the Crimean naval base of Sevastopol "to a temporary standstill," DNB declared tonight.

The news agency said the Russians started their counter thrust last Saturady after laying down a heavy artillery barrage.

The Germans struck back, DNB said, and are maintaining the steady pressure on Sevastopol in fighting in which "Russians fell by the hundreds."

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy and continued cold tonight and Tuesday, scattered frost in interior.

Famed British Destroyer Is Sunk

London, Nov. 10.—(AP)—The admiralty announced today the loss of the destroyer Cossack, which had a hand in three of the royal navy's greatest exploits of the war—the boarding of the German prison ship Altmark, the battle of Narvik fjord and the destruction of the German battleship Bismarck.

The brief admiralty communique merely announced that the destroyer, probably the most famous in the entire British fleet, had been sunk.

It did not tell when, where, how or how many of its crew were lost. (The Cossack normally carried a crew of 190 officers and men but under war conditions her complement may have been even lager.)

REA Probe Scheduled

Airing of Charges and Counter Charges Before Congressional Committee Soon.

By CHARLES P. STEWART
(Central Press Columnist)

Washington, Nov. 10.—Within the past month no less than four speeches have been made in the House of Representatives by members complaining that the office of production management, Bill Knudsen's emergency agency, has deprived the Rural Electrification Administration of so much copper wire as to prevent completion of power lines for which poles already have been set and for which farmers already have pur-

John Rankin

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Train Wreck Fatal To 11

Fifty More Persons Injured in Derailment of Crack Pennsylvania Passenger Train.

Kenton, Ohio, Nov. 10.—(AP)—A passenger train thundering through the night at between 60 and 70 miles an hour was derailed by a cylinder head blown off a freight train and piled up into a mass of twisted steel near Dunkirk. Eleven were listed today as dead and about 50 were injured.

Engineer R. S. Schuler of Fort Wayne, one of 48 persons to survive the wreck of the Pennsylvania Railroad "Pennsylvanian," said "something went wrong" just after he passed the freight train on his Chicago-New York run.

In Chicago, H. E. Newcomer, vice-president of the railroad, said the cylinder from the freight train blew out and onto the adjoining track "and before it was very long the Pennsylvania, making all its speed on the east bound track, struck the damaged cylinder head, derailing and turning over."

Passengers were tossed helter-skelter out of seats and berths and into near-freezing temperatures.

Cotton Market Turns Higher

New York, Nov. 10.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 15 cents a bale higher to 5 lower.

Mid-day values were 20 to 30 cents a bale higher. December 16.32. March 16.53; October 16.75.

State Probation Commission Submits Record Of Success

Daily Dispatch Bureau.
In the Sir Walter Hotel.
By BOB THOMPSON

Raleigh, Nov. 10.—Four years ago this month the probation commission opened for business, the least understood and one of the least popular agencies of the State. Since that time it has handled cases of 6,001 probationers with a record of 88 percent success—according to the annual report completed today—and won the respect of many judges who were far from enthusiastic at the outset.

Director Harry Sample said he was "pretty proud" of the record. He praised his officers and "the splendid cooperation of courts." He showed figures to the effect that of the 6,001 men and women probationers turned over to his department, only 722 were marked as "failures," meaning that only that number had not responded to probationary supervision and had been sent to prison. There are 3,444 people now on probation, he said, the others having completed their "terms" under supervision, been sent to prison or died.

"Our probationers have earned approximately $3,000,000 during the time they were under our supervision," said Sample. "They not only supported themselves but also helped in the support of 4,542 others. If they had been in prison they not only would have cost the State money but also somebody would have had to help out those dependents. In most cases they would have been supported at least in part by public funds. . . . Many people don't realize that there is an economic as well as a sociological argument in favor of probation."

The probation commission's birthday report compares well with the record of its brother agency, the parole commission. The programs are different in many respects but alike in others. That probation office is an arm of the court. It is in charge of the supervision of only those the court sentence to its care. Its purpose is to give the courts an opportunity to do something else with a convicted person than throw him in jail or turn him loose. It is the suspended sentence idea efficiently applied.

The parole commission, on the other hand, deals with men and women who have been sent to jail. It is not an arm of the court although it acts as the agency which corrects judicial mistakes. The parole office is part of the governor's office. At present there are 1,600 people on parole, more than half the num-

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POTATO ALLOTMENTS BILL TO BE CHANGED

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—House members from 29 potato-growing areas undertook today to rewrite a bill to fix marketing allotments for the crop.

Representative Flannagan, Democrat, South Carolina, chairman of the House agriculture committee, asked the special committee to prepare the bill or bring in new legislation. He said he hoped to get a bill to meet the needs of potato growers throughout the country.

Representative Bonner, Democrat, North Carolina, a member of the special committee.

SALES AND USE TAX LEVIES ARE UPHELD

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—The supreme court upheld today sales and use taxes imposed by a state on national defense contracts executed on a cost-plus-fixed-fee basis.

Chief Justice Stone delivered the decisions, applying essentially to assessments by Alabama in contracts engaged in constructional work for the Federal government at Fort McClellan.

The Justice department estimated that such taxes, if sustained, might cost the government as much as $100,000,000 a year throughout the United States and would amount to $28,000,000 on contracts already let.

Seven Killed On Highways

Charlotte, Nov. 10.—(AP)—At least seven persons died in traffic accidents in North Carolina over the week-end.

J. M. Peeler, of West Jefferson was struck and killed by an automobile as he walked along a highway near Sparta.

An automobile left the road 16 miles east of Nags Willoughby and killed Odell Bennett, 19.

J. T. Beddingfield, about 60, of Biddleville was struck and killed by an auto while near Statesville.

Silvester Sherrill, 40, of Statesville, was killed in Gastonia in a train-automobile collision.

Robert Hill, 23, a soldier of Fort Bragg, was fatally injured near Fayetteville.

Ray Ellis, 38, of Draper, and Clinton Hall, 41, of Spray, were injured fatally when their automobile left a highway five miles from Leaksville.

House Vote Thursday

Way is Cleared for Final Action on Sweeping Changes in Neutrality Act.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—The House rules committee cleared the way today for final House action Thursday on sweeping revision of the neutrality act to permit the government to arm merchant ships and send them into belligerent ports and combat zones, with one Democratic committeeman declaring that the nation was "being led to the slaughter house."

The committee agreed unanimously, members said, to limit debate to eight hours.

Representative Cox, Democrat, Georgia, asserted that while he believed the United States was already in the war "the country is in no mental attitude to go to war and we are being led to slaughter house." He demanded that the administration act to prevent defense strikes and said "Congress should put its foot down" on measures like the neutrality amendments "until the President does something about labor."

"We have an opportunity to test out the administration as to whether it means to do anything about the saboteurs who are sabotaging defense," Cox continued.

He stated that the people were "fooled" when they voted for the President and that "we have not had the truth about the situation. We passed the war and that is the feeling all the while that we are in the war."

Speaker Rayburn said adjournment of the house by Thursday depended on the strength of the acceptance of Senate amendments to the original House bill, which banned the belligerent zone and belligerent ports.

Armored Divisions See Action

With the army in the Carolinas, Nov. 10—(AP)—The Army started a field trial of a vital experiment today with its three most powerful divisions working together.

It was a preview of the new fighting team that will be the greatest threat to the force that meets the First Army in the climax of the Carolina war games.

Soon after dawn the first and second armored divisions, the only two the Army has in the field, and the provisional fourth division—motorized infantry and artillery with a punch packed in about 75 tanks—jumped off together for a three-day training battle against reinforced infantry divisions.

The latter seemed destined to be a punching bag for the armored corps, for they hardly could be expected to do much hitting back against the tremendous fire power packed by the 700 tanks and supporting artillery and infantry in the mechanized divisions.

Meanwhile, the 200,000 troops of the First Army worked on equipment and cleared up details in preparation for the general headquarters maneuvers.

Eggs Thrown As Mt. Airy Mill Re-Opens

Raleigh, Nov. 10.—(AP)—State highway patrol officials reported today that eggs and "perhaps some other missiles" were thrown this morning as the Mt. Airy Furniture company of Mt. Airy re-opened its strike-closed plant.

Major John Armstrong, commander of the patrol, said he received a report that 175 of the firm's 212 workers returned to their jobs.

The report was made by Lieutenant D. T. Lambert, who is in charge of a squadron of 16 patrolmen on the scene.

Armstrong said that so far as he knew there was no other violence. The highway patrol, he added, has made no arrests but is simply patroling the vicinity.

So far as was learned here the National Furniture company of Mt. Airy, also closed by a strike, did not attempt to re-open.

State officials have attributed the strike to a jurisdictional dispute between two affilitates of the American Federation of Labor.