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After Jump With Nylon 'Chute



Adeline Gray, 24-year-old parachutist, is shown being assisted by friends after she had made the first test jump with a nylon parachute at Hartford, Conn., airport. Miss Gray jumped from 2,000 feet in the presence of Army and Navy observers and representatives of the makers of the chute. The successful jump assured pilots of a constant supply of parachutes when the nation's stockpile of silk is exhausted. (Central Press)

Jap Army Repulsed In Chekiang Sector

Chinese Forces Regain Possession of Chuh-sien; Japanese Fleet Fleeing From Midway Battle to Refuge of Home Waters.

(By The Associated Press) The Japanese fleet which escaped after a terrific pounding in the battle of Midway was reported limping westward to the refuge of home waters today, while on the China warfront, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Chinese armies were said to have thrown a strategic Japanese victory into reverse. A Chungking military spokesman said Chinese troops wiped out a Japanese invasion force which had gained a foothold at Chuh-sien, key rail center of western Chekiang province, and regained possession of the city. Chekiang, on China's east coast, is important as a potential base for allied air attacks on Japan. The Chinese had previously acknowledged loss of the Chuh-sien airport and a Japanese thrust into the town itself, following a Tokyo claim to a full victory there Saturday. The Chinese government spokesman expressed China's gratitude for what he called a prompt and generous response to appeals for help to both the United States and Great Britain, but declared "the situation remains grave." While Japan's battered sea armada retreated from Midway—battle contact was lost Saturday night—Pearl Harbor observers predicted that the enemy fleet, with reinforcements, would probably return for another "face saving" attack on American defenses in the Pacific.

Dr. Riddick, Of N. C. State, Dies At 77

Raleigh, June 9.—(AP)—Dr. Wallace Carl Riddick, 77, veteran North Carolina educator and member of the N. C. State college faculty for the last 50 years, died in a Baltimore, Md., hospital early this morning. The State College news bureau announced today. Dr. Riddick was president of State college from 1916 to 1923 and dean of the college of engineering from 1923 until 1937. At the time of his death he was dean emeritus of the college of engineering and active professor of hydraulics. He had been ill for several weeks and had gone to Baltimore for special treatment. His wife died in January.

War Leaders Visit Bragg

Fort Bragg, June 9.—(AP)—This big military post went through its marshes today for General George C. Marshall, chief of staff of the U. S. Army, Vice Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, British chief of combined operations and head of the British commandos, and other distinguished war leaders of Great Britain and the United States. On hand to see parachute jumping, landing operations and a variety of other activities were Field

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Fighting Men's Dependents To Be Cared For Under Bill

Washington, June 9.—(AP)—Dependents of Army and Navy men had congressional assurance today their financial needs would be taken care of, in a moderate way at least, by Uncle Sam and his fighting men. House passage late yesterday of legislation embodying the general pay provisions of a bill previously approved by the Senate put both branches overwhelmingly on record in favor of the same scale of payments, leaving extraneous provisions to be worked out by a joint conference committee. At the same time the Senate agreed to raise the minimum monthly pay of service men to \$50, effective as of June 1. The measure probably will reach the President for final approval late this week. The House rejected a Senate proposition under which dependents of service men would receive financial aid. Final details of the measure must be worked out in conference. The House rejected a Senate Provision authorizing the order in which men deferred for dependents could be called to the colors when the 1-A

RAF Again Raids Ruhr

Drastic Cut Is Proposed For WPA

Bill To Give Employment To 400,000

Measure Introduced In House Would Provide For 575,000 Fewer Persons Than Average on WPA Rolls This Year.

Washington, June 9.—(AP)—A \$280,000,000 WPA bill designed to give employment to 400,000 persons starting July 1 was sent to the House by its appropriations committee today with a warning that a sharp retrenchment program was inevitable.

In an accompanying report, committee said that the appropriation recommended only two weeks ago by President Roosevelt, would mean a reduction of 575,000 persons from the average of the current fiscal year.

With WPA employment this month estimated at 750,000, the committee said that the 400,000 figure would mean either a "precipitous decrease" of 350,000 immediately or a gradual decline which would force employment far below 400,000 later. The committee said that "casual sinking" might lead to the belief that unemployment would almost disappear with the war effort. But it pointed out that civilian goods production has fallen sharply, industry is disinclined to hire older workers, and many persons can not get war jobs.

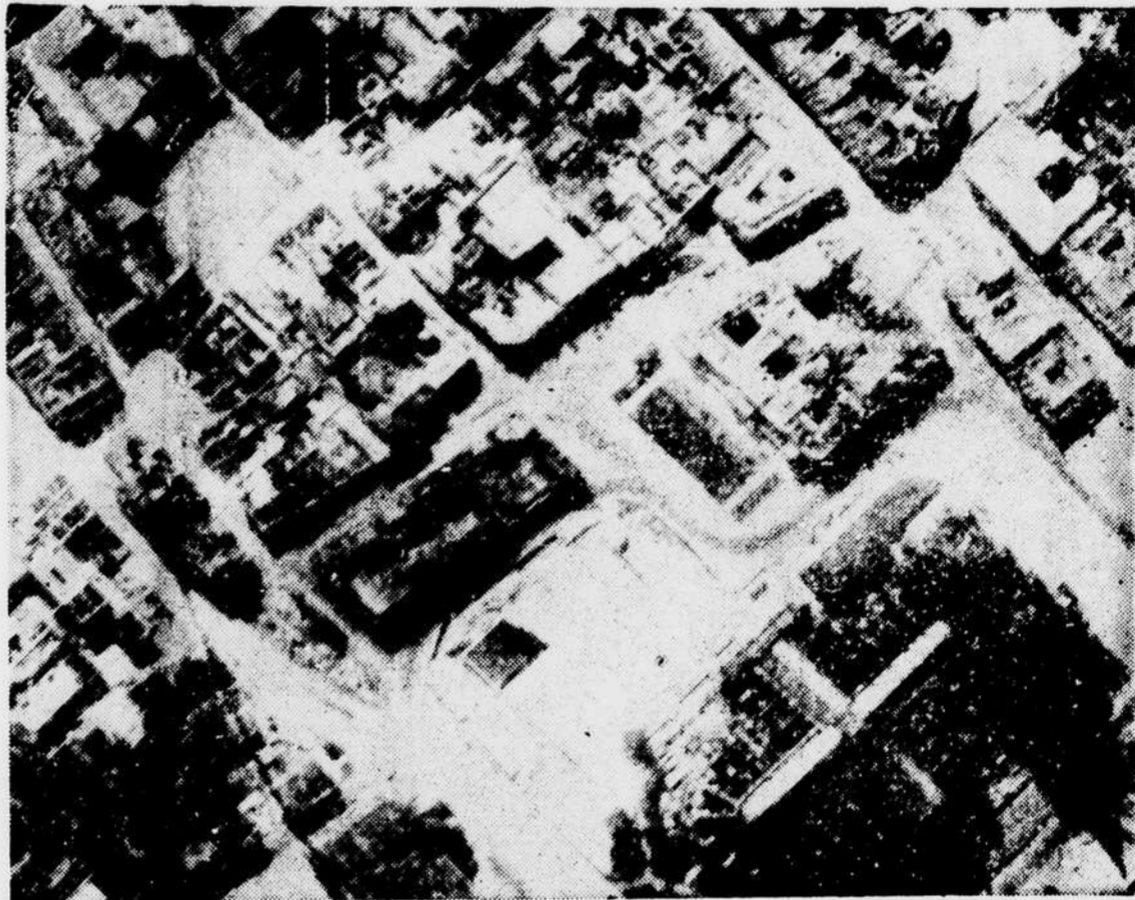
Army Threat Ends Strike

'Work or Fight' Ultimatum Sends Men Back to Work in Precision Tools Plant.

Detroit, June 9.—(AP)—Work on aircraft precision tools was resumed today at the Federal Engineering company upon settlement of a week-long strike after the Army gave strikers a "work or fight" ultimatum. The settlement, returning the company's 250 employees to work after idleness since June 2, was reached last night while a truck waited in the plant yard for an Army order to remove dies used in production. Major George Strong, head of this Army air corps procurement area, said he had informed the management that the Army would "take its business elsewhere" unless the com-

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Cologne After Bombing by 1,000 RAF Planes



This picture was made from a British reconnaissance plane the day after 1,000 R.A.F. planes dropped 7,000,000 pounds of bombs on the industrial city of Cologne, Germany. The center of Cologne's business district is shown here, with almost every building destroyed. In lower right is the famous Cologne Cathedral which shows no sign of damage. The cathedral overlooks the Hohenzollern Bridge (not shown), principal rail crossing of the Rhine from Western Europe, which was reported hit squarely. C. P. Cablephoto

Two Blimps Lost; 12 Die

Bodies of Three Victims Recovered After Apparent Mid-Air Collision Over Sea.

Lakehurst, N. J., June 9.—(AP)—Coast Guards recovered three bodies and wreckage of one of two Navy training blimps lost in what apparently was a mid-air collision over the Atlantic ocean while on an unexplained "experimental mission." Only one survivor was known. Still missing were nine of the 13 naval and civilian occupants of the G-1 and the smaller L-2 when they set out last night from the naval air station at Lakehurst. The airships plunged into the ocean about four miles off Manasquan, which is 16 miles northeast of Lakehurst. Sheriff Lewis Menninger of Ocean county reported recovery of the three bodies in the gondola of the L-2, dragged ashore at Point Pleasant beach. Among the bodies was that of Lieutenant Commander Clinton S. Rounds of Toms River, N. J., senior officer aboard the two craft and a survivor of the dirigible Macon disaster off the California coast in 1935. The Navy declined to discuss the mission.

Women Take Mental Exams

Fort Bragg, June 9.—(AP)—Approximately 125 North Carolina candidates for commissions in the newly organized women's auxiliary Army corps, the survivors of physical examinations here last week, were busy today taking mental tests at Fort Bragg. The examinations were expected to continue through most of the week. The Army did not make known how many of the applicants failed to pass the physical examinations.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. A few scattered showers this afternoon or tonight, slightly lower temperature in east portion.

ODT To Control Inter-City Buses

Nelson Says 'Impossible' Being Done

Columbia, Mo., June 9.—(AP)—Donald M. Nelson, who worked his way through the University of Missouri and returned today as an honored alumnus, told the 1942 graduating class that America is "doing the impossible" with war production exceeding all estimates. Confidently, the chairman of the war production board asserted "this year we shall make 60,000 airplanes, and by the end of the year we shall still be picking up speed for an even vaster production in 1943." Nelson explained that "we have found that our total production of war goods is higher than we had any reason to suppose it could be" when blue prints were prepared for war plants.

Gas Rations Await Study

Survey of Nation's Scrap Rubber Expected to Precede Decision on Rationing.

Washington, June 9.—(AP)—Postponement of any nationwide gasoline rationing until a comprehensive survey is made of the country's available scrap rubber was predicted in congressional quarters today. Senate Democratic Leader Barkley, Democrat, Kentucky, said he understood such a survey was being contemplated and other informed legislators added that it was likely President Roosevelt would await the results before deciding whether it was necessary to put all private automobiles on short fuel rations. Barkley told reporters there were all kinds of estimates on the amount of rubber that could be reclaimed from the scrap pile, ranging from the

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Holland And France Also Bombed

Air Armada of Perhaps 450 Warplanes Rains Death and Destruction of Nazi Industries; News From Other Warfronts.

(By The Associated Press) Waves of British warplanes, perhaps 450 strong, visited another night of terror, death and destruction upon Germany's industrial valley of the Ruhr before dawn today and also struck at targets in Nazi-occupied France and Holland. Eighteen RAF bombers were acknowledged missing from the overnight assaults, which followed a British radio broadcast urging people of France to evacuate the coastal areas from the Belgian frontier to the Pyrenees. The broadcast warned of impending allied operations of "capital importance" to be executed "at the most opportune moment."

In the Russian campaign, Soviet dispatches reported that German tanks, troops and planes attacking in a five-day old offensive against Russia's long-besieged Black sea naval base of Sevastopol, in the Crimea, had been thrown back in fierce battles in two sectors.

By contrast, German field headquarters asserted that Nazi infantry, supported by heavy artillery and strong air squadrons, stormed Soviet defenses on a height commanding Sevastopol and repulsed Russian counter attacks with "bloody losses." Dispatches to Red Star, the Soviet army newspaper, said the Germans were suffering terrific casualties in the new drive after losing 50,000 men since the siege began seven months ago.

On the north African battlefield, British headquarters reported that Lieutenant General Neil Ritchie's armies crushed heavy new axis attacks on Bir Hacheim, 50 miles southwest of Tobruk, the inland anchor of Britain's 50-mile defense line.

A communique said Free French and imperial Indian troops beat off a series of assaults by German tanks, infantry, artillery and dive bombers after fierce fighting. Italy's high command tersely summed up the desert battle with the announcement that "fighting between opposing motorized and mechanized units continues."

On the Italian home front, the fascist command acknowledged a new British air raid on Taranto, big naval base at the foot of the Italian boot, but declared that the only damage was inflicted by fire on shore installations.

BONDS SALE. Raleigh, June 9.—(AP)—The local government commission today approved the sale of \$6,000 bond anticipation notes of the Town of Farmville, to the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. of Henderson, at 2 1/2 per cent interest, with a premium of \$14.75.

British Sub Runs Up Toll Of Sinkings

London, June 9.—(AP)—The admiralty announced today that the British submarine Turbulent had sunk an Italian destroyer, three medium sized supply ships and a small merchant ship in the central Mediterranean.

The admiralty identified the destroyer as one of the 1,629-ton Navigatoria class. The Turbulent was commanded by Commander J. W. Linton, wearer of the distinguished service cross. Submarines under his command already have sunk four axis supply ships, six large scooners and a motor vessel carrying troops.

BRITISH AND YANKEE AIR UNITS IN CHINA

London, June 9.—(AP)—British and American air force units have arrived in China. Reuters reported today in a dispatch from Chungking.

House Rejects Senate Clause On TVA Funds

Washington, June 9.—(AP)—The House today rejected a Senate amendment to the independent offices appropriation bill designed to confine Tennessee Valley Authority expenditures to appropriations previously voted by Congress. Representative Dirksen, Republican, Illinois, outspoken advocate of the Senate restriction, told the House he would press his fight later for its adoption in separate legislation, rather than as part of an appropriations bill. Under existing financial procedure the TVA's directors retain full control over receipts from power sales, estimated to run \$36,000,000 next year. Dirksen agreed with Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, sponsor of the Senate amendment, that the TVA should turn its receipts into the Treasury and confine its expenditures to annual appropriations

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